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In spite of vague rumours, another China New Year has been celebrated in Hongkong in time-honoured style.

There was no doubt that tightness of money was a big factor for the annual "settlement" on Friday, but, so far at least, it has yet to be learned that the big "crashes" promised have come off.

Late on China New Year Eve, it seemed that everybody had done his best and the spirit of festivity was entered into thoroughly. There were significant empty patches at the bazaar, showing what trades had been affected by the boycott (in that there was a restriction on exports from up-country). Flowers were at a premium, that is, those considered to be of "joss" significance, and fancy prices were gladly paid.

Saturday and yesterday, the first days of the year, were given over to visits of formal character. One still wished—without thinking of the supposed shortage of money—all good luck for a friend during the current year, and then, in the same breath suggested a game of "pai kau" with which to do the opposite to the sentiments of "Kung Hay Fat Choy."

Trams, motor-cars, rickshaws and ferries carried loads of people dressed in Chinese bent on pleasure, offering felicitations to friends and relatives, and on showing true holiday spirit.

Today, the third day of the year, is not considered a good day for visiting; the ladies associating with it a superstition of gossip and petty quarrels.

To-morrow is another "good day," when the more religious who have toured the Colony's temples during the week-end will start their calls.

A gradual return to business will also commence to-morrow and the holiday spirit will practically be over by the seventh day (Friday). Kiddies in European families who have received the "lucky red paper" (with a five-cent piece inside) from the cook or ayah, may still expect to be favoured with this form of largesse, as late as the fifteenth day of the first moon.

The restaurants at West Point were open last night and the theatres played to capacity houses. Attendance at either will probably not be advanced as one of the reasons by Chinese staffs of European homes, for that "morning after" look to-morrow.

DOCTORS MEET.

"WESTERN MEDICINE FOR CHINA."

INTERCHANGE IDEAS.

The National Medical Association of China, consisting of a membership of more than five hundred Chinese doctors trained in the arts and science of Western medicine, will hold its sixth biennial conference in the Chinese Infectious Diseases Hospital, No. 545, Thibet Road (Shanghai) on February 16-22, inclusive, during which qualified physicians from all parts of China will gather in Shanghai where they will be given the rare opportunity in which to interchange ideas, knowledge, and experience for the advancement of medical science.

This conference, though directly possessing greater significance and importance to the medical profession, is by virtue of its scope and nature, perhaps equally important to the Chinese general public inasmuch as it will help to enlighten and broaden the minds of the Chinese public concerning the true value of scientific medicine. In the endeavour to utilize the conference to draw the attention of the public to the progress which Western medicine is making each year, it is hoped to create a favourable impression on the Chinese people and thereby gain their confidence in scientific medicine.

Cyclone or typhoon warning received to-day indicated its centre as the Balantine Channel. Its direction is unknown.

A small fire broke out yesterday among a heap of charcoal at No. 7, Burrows Street, Wanchai. The outbreak was extinguished by the inmates before the arrival of the Brigade.

The O.S.K. office in Hongkong received a cable this morning that the s.s. "Suma Maru" on the Hongkong-Swallow, Amoy, Formosa run had gone ashore on what is known as the Good Hope Cape (12 miles from Swatow).

The "Suma Maru" left Hongkong on Saturday, deputising as a substitute boat on the Swatow run for the "Kotsu Maru."

On board were 60 Japanese students returning to Formosa and these were all taken off by the "Taikwa Maru" which was on the way from Swatow to Hongkong. The "Taikwa Maru" turned back and took these students to Swatow and then returned to the scene of the accident.

The "Suma Maru" is taking water fast into two holds. The prospects of getting her off were not indicated in the cable to the offices of the O.S.K.

The "Suma Maru" is a small boat of only 919 tons net register.

THROWING STONES.

NAVAL MEN APPEAR AS COMPLAINANTS.

A COOLIE CONVICTED.

Five seamen from British gunboats and a Surrey private gave evidence in two separate cases of disorderly conduct at Wanchai on Saturday. The defendants were a coolie and a rickshaw maker.

It was stated that the complainants were struck by stones thrown at them by the defendants. The Surrey man asserting that the coolie was seen "throwing stones the whole day." Defendant was fined \$100 or six weeks.

The other man was discharged for want of evidence.

PENDANT SNATCHED.

THIEF MAKES HIS ESCAPE.

SATURDAY'S THEFT.

The daughter of a Chinese resident in Hollywood Road was robbed of a gold pendant, value \$40, on Saturday afternoon.

According to a report made to the police by an ayah, she was walking with the girl when a thief came from behind and snatched the pendant. He made his escape in the direction of Wellington Street.

FOUND HANGING.

DISPENSARY EMPLOYEE'S DEATH.

A Chinese, employed at the King Edward Dispensary in Queen's Road was found hanging at 5.45 a.m. yesterday from a beam in the kitchen at the rear of the premises.

The police were called in and found life extinct.

It is believed that the man committed suicide owing to private worries.

The appointment of Mr. Justice J. R. Wood as Puisne Judge has been officially "gazetted."

The next Criminal Sessions will be held at the Supreme Court on Monday, February 22 at 10 a.m.

A total of five motor accidents were reported over the week-end. The injuries in each case were not serious.

Unless cause is shown to the contrary the name of the On Tai S.S. Co., Ltd., will be struck off the register.

Mr. G. S. Kennedy-Skilton has been appointed an assistant to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs and as a Deputy Registrar of Marriages.

If it fails to obtain a certificate to start business within two months, the name of the Hongkong Industrial Society Association, Ltd., will be struck off the register.

USED TO IT!

SHIP WHEN UNDER FIRE FROM PIRATES.

BRITISH SHIP'S RESCUE.

Series of Attacks in Canton River.

Having become an everyday occurrence to him, the "China Mail's" Pakkai (Kongmoon) correspondent relates how he merely rolled himself up to sleep when under fire during a sensational piratical attack.

In his latest report he blandly says that there is "nothing of interest to record, beyond a few piracies, which are now regarded as routine events by residents in that port."

His letter, dated February 4, reads:

Respect For "Moorhen."

Not until H.M.S. "Moorhen" came out of the harbour in response to an urgent request for help, did four pirate launches desist from their sustained attack on the Canton-Kongmoon tow-boat on February 2, which they followed right up to the port limits.

An armed junk and an armed launch were escorting the boat which was coming to Pakkai. Near Chiulin the pirates hove in sight and opened fire. The only thing for me to do was to roll myself up in a cotton quilt and lie down on the floor.

As soon as fire was opened on us, the armed launch proceeded ahead to obtain help, leaving us to escape as best we could. At Ko Sa, near the harbour limit, the British gunboat was sighted. Firing ceased and the outlaws turned tail. A Chinese lady passenger was seriously wounded and conveyed to hospital. This attack portends the severance of traffic between this port and Canton, at least until after the New Year holidays.

Gun Crews.

On February 4, a gun crew of the Kongmoon-Taunoon tow-boat, having heard of the latest attack, did not dare to leave for Taunoon by herself. She had an armed junk as an escort, not unlike the vessels of Elizabethan times, but she decided that it would be best to sail in the wake of the boat leaving for Kungyick.

When near Lan Tai Suen (at the mouth of the Kongmoon creek) the whole fleet was attacked by hundreds of pirates on both banks of the river. The Kungyick tow-boat fought through and ran the gauntlet successfully. The Taunoon boat struck a mine. Her tow (the launch) and protector (the armed junk) stayed behind to fight, and fight they did to the last. Ultimately the tow, launch, and armed junk were all burned down to the water's edge, after having fought from 10 a.m. till 3 p.m. The sailing and gun crews stood at their posts till all ammunition was expended and not one escaped alive. There were many casualties on both sides.

Famous Leader's Death.

On the same day (February 3) the famous ex-pirate leader, Leung Kwok-fun, alias Leung Yan (of the Ku Tau mountains), who had achieved fame as commander of the Gaemooon Fort (after surrendering to the authorities) by holding pirates at bay, was assassinated by his own bodyguards in the fort. The guards then mutinied, took all the guns and ammunition and abducted the dead man's wife and sons to the Ku Tau mountains for purposes of ransom. Gaemooon Fort is now without weapons of defence and the Customs staff there has been withdrawn.

Merchants' Money Saved.

On the morning of February 4 I was awakened by the sound of guns. With an open glass I saw a launch being chased by another. Both were "dressed in gunboat style." The fugitive stopped in front of the Customs while the other tried to "take" her away.

Volleys were fired by soldiers and guards on the shore at the pursuer, which fled in the direction of Ngai Hoi. H.M.'s armed launch "Don Juan" also cleared for action.

Subsequently I learned that the first launch had been chartered by

BANG! BANG!!

LAW OPENLY FLOUTED AT WEEK-END.

EVIL OF "CRACKERS."

Commencing with a preliminary bombardment from Friday afternoon to midnight to see the old year out, the Chinese community kept up a continual barrage during the holidays and are still in occupation of the Colony to-day. In the subsequent assaults—comprising intermittent sorties to herald in the New Year on Saturday; an extended series of fusillades lasting from midnight Saturday till yesterday evening to "open the New Year"—the Chinese were still victorious. Added to the foregoing were the efforts of ubiquitous boys on holiday, sniping away at all hours of both day and night.

Notwithstanding the publication of regulations, the law was openly flouted. Definite hours and certain districts were laid down but few, if any, took heed.

Every China New Year season has its sequel in a multitude of prosecutions for infringing the regulations but these generally relate to offences in the neighbourhood of the Government Civil Hospital.

It is not so many years ago that Sir Henry Pollock put some pertinent questions in Council following a motor car catastrophe at West Point on China New Year Day: "When several persons lost their lives through a chauffeur being hit in the eye by a cracker and thereby losing control of his charge."

Many a Chinese lady or gentleman has been annoyed by having holiday attire spoiled by crackers thrown at them from verandahs, accidentally in the most cases, but nevertheless annoying. Those who have suffered from the freaks lighted up by the younger generation are still more numerous.

Admittedly, the police have not shown laxity everywhere. However, there is room for much more to be done, and it is felt that nothing short of arrest—meaning imprisonment on the auspicious occasion—would meet the evil. There is no risk of offending a few but protecting many, pointmen and officers on beats should be given strict instructions to take into custody all those who let off crackers during prohibited hours and in prohibited areas. No punishment is too much for those who, wilfully or culpably throw crackers at others "just for the fun of the thing" or because the victim is not in a position to retaliate or seek redress.

LOW-DOWN RUSE.

BLIND CHINESE WIDOW ROBBED.

VISITING A FRIEND.

How a partially blind Chinese widow living at Second Street was imposed upon by a stranger and robbed of her money on Saturday afternoon was given in a report made to the police.

Posing as a herb specialist for disease, a Chinese induced the woman to go with him to attend a friend who was ill. She was taken to a vacant flat at Kwong Fung Terrace where a confederate was waiting. While one held the woman, the other took a sum of \$230 from her girdle.

ARMED ROBBERY.

A SMALL HAUL AT SHAMSHUPO.

A sum of \$110 was taken by four men armed with a revolver and knives from a grocery shop in the Shamshupo district last night. They bolted away when police whistles were blown.

An inmate of the shop received cuts in the hand while struggling with one of the men.

The Kongmoon merchants to bring back money collected at Canton. Near Chiulin she met four black launches but successfully evaded

a heavy fire and reached the harbour. Seeing no Chinese gunboat in port, one of the pirate craft ventured right into the anchorage and got to within ten yards of the British Naval vessel before she gave up her quest.

COUNTESS BANISHED.

STILL IMMURED ON ELLIS ISLAND.

EARL OF CRAVEN ANNOYED.

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, Feb. 14.

With the Countess of Cathcart still immured on Ellis Island, the officials of the Labour and Immigration Department in Washington are faced with the necessity of deciding one of the most unusual cases that has ever arisen under the present immigration laws.

The affair is complicated by the fact that the Earl of Craven was admitted into America in November without question and is now living quietly with his wife at her uncle's residence in New York. The Earl of Craven was annoyed when an army of Pressmen invaded his apartments. He declared that he knew no more than anyone else about the case. There was no reason why any relationship should be presumed to exist between him and the Countess of Cathcart except an impersonal one. All he wanted was to be allowed to live in peace and quiet with his wife.

Laws Unfair.

There are many protests against the apparent unfairness of the immigration laws. For example, nine prominent New York women telegraphed to Mr. James J. Davis, Secretary for Immigration, protesting against the "discrimination" against women.

The Philadelphia Public Ledger, in an editorial, declares that the ruling against the Countess of Cathcart is foolish and the special Board of Enquiry is making the United States ridiculous.

The newspapers so far have been remarkably reticent, but the comments made are all sarcastic.

A New Turn.

New York, later.

The case of the Countess of Cathcart has taken a new turn. Mr. Henry H. Curran, Commissioner of Immigration, Ellis Island, has announced that he sent immigration inspectors to request the Earl of Craven to come to his office for further interrogation. They called at the address at which the Earl said he was living, but did not find him. Mr. Curran declared that he would press the case against the Earl of Craven regardless of the outcome of the Countess of Cathcart's appeal.

Countess Interviewed.

New York, later.

The Countess of Cathcart, on being interviewed by Pressmen on Ellis Island, was cheerful and talkative.

She said that she was her own worst enemy. She got herself there by telling the truth, "so it does rather put a premium on lying." She asserted that adultery was not a crime in Britain. If it were all the British nobility would be put in jail, and if Britain had the same immigration laws as America, she did not think that many American women would get in.

She declared that she was being wonderfully well treated on Ellis Island and had received hundreds of cablegrams of sympathy from her friends.

FEWER CARGOES.

BLAMED FOR THE SHIPPING DEPRESSION.

RECORD LOW LEVEL.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Feb. 14.

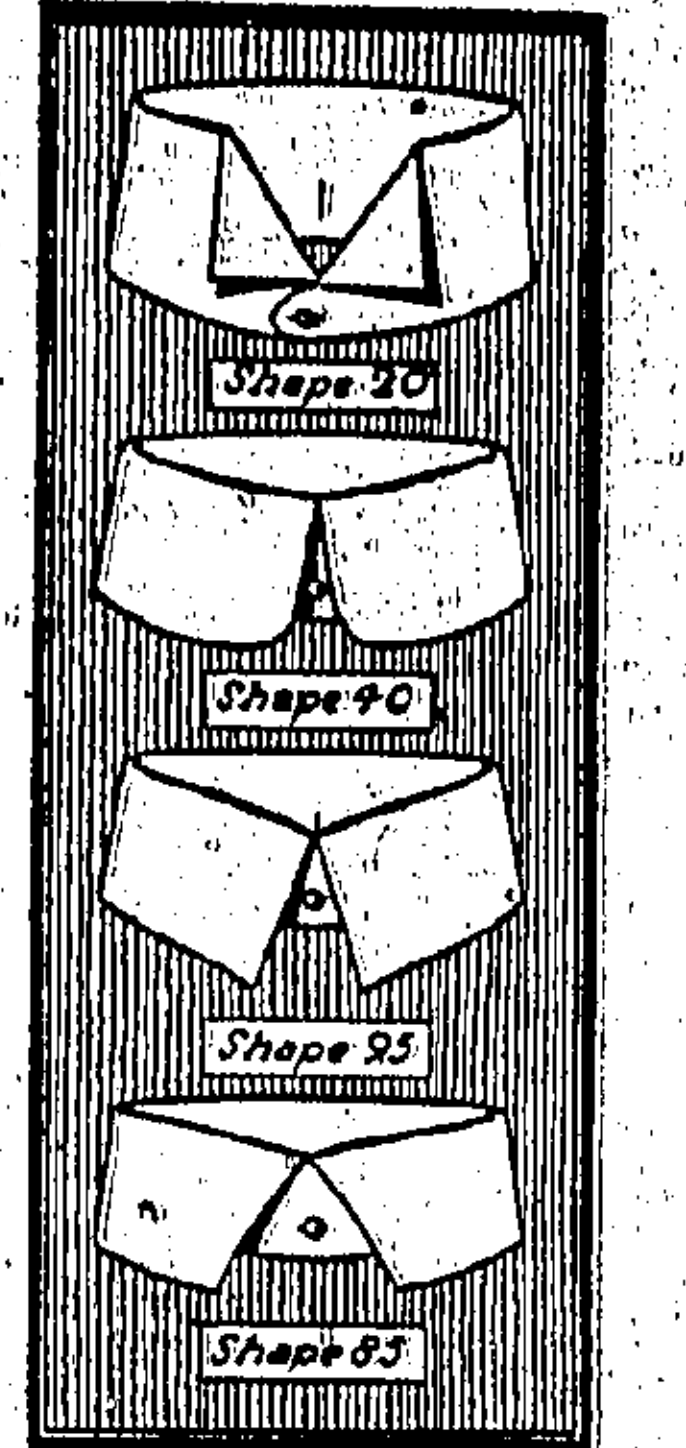
"The depression in the shipping industry continued and deepened during the past year" is the opening sentence in the report of the Chamber of Shipping of the United Kingdom.

The depression is attributed to the continued existence of more ships and fewer cargoes than before the war. Freights, which were at a record low level, were below pre-war prices.

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CARTEL SPLIT.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Feb. 12. In the Chamber, M. Cazalis, on behalf of the Radical Socialists, stated that the party had decided to separate from the Socialists with a view to arriving at practical financial results in the interests of the country.

For the first time since the opening of the financial debate in the Chamber, M. Briand made a motion to shelve the Socialist proposal in the Finance Committee's bill on a question of confidence, and obtained a vote of 325 to 183. The result of the vote shows a split in the Cartel, some Radicals voting against the Government and others with it. The Socialist proposal was that the State be made co-hold with other legates. It states that the share was to vary according to the degree of relationship of heirs to the deceased.

M. Briand, in supporting the shelving of the motion, said that they had reached the extreme limit of the discussion, and that the necessary funds to balance the budget must be voted without delay in order that both Chambers might pass them by February 28.

A New Majority.

Paris, Feb. 13.

The newspapers congratulate M. Briand who they say has cleared the situation and opened the way to the necessary urgent solutions, by calling yesterday's Chamber vote.

They underline the importance of the fact that a new majority has appeared from which the Socialists stood themselves out.

The newspapers are sure M. Briand will counteract plots and master his difficulties.

INDUSTRIES FAIR.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Feb. 12.

The Birmingham section of the British Industries Fair was opened for a preliminary press view to-day and it will be open to the public for the next fortnight. Visitors from abroad are already arriving. Into the exhibition buildings have been crowded a larger variety of exhibits than ever before. Extensive additions have had to be made to accommodate hardware, engineering, ironmongery and electrical exhibits, the number of which exceeded all expectations. Before these alterations were made, the exhibition hall was the largest in the country. It is now far and away bigger than any other, having a floor area of over two hundred thousand square feet.

A notable feature in the Birmingham section, this year which is quite new to industrial exhibitions is the provision by several hundred firms in the Midlands of arrangements for visitors to make a tour of their factories where they may see products shown actually in the making. These firms have provided huge fleets of private cars to convey visitors from the exhibition to factories and where necessary special trams will be chartered.

BRITISH ART.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Feb. 13.

In a letter to Sir Martin Conway from New York, Sir Joseph Duveen announces that in order to encourage British art he is forming a small committee of men of acknowledged position and authority and is placing at its disposal \$1,000 annually for the purchase of paintings by contemporary British artists, preferably promising young artists. The Committee will hold pictures acquired with power to lend or present them to any public gallery in the British Isles, the British Empire or the United States.

WIRELESS TRIUMPH.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Feb. 13.

A further wireless triumph in the form of trans-Atlantic wireless telephony, lasting for 16½ hours, is officially announced by the Post Office which states that Rugby talked to New York from four in the morning till 7.30 in the evening on February 7 under abnormally favourable conditions of the ether. Although results were very promising, it must be some considerable time before a commercial radio telegraph service across the Atlantic can be established, as numerous technical obstacles must first be surmounted.

Promising Results.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Feb. 12.

The Post Master General points out that the statements recently published which forecast an early inauguration of trans-Atlantic Radio Telegraphy of commercial standard are premature. While experimental results are promising, it must be a considerable time before a commercial radio telegraph service across the Atlantic can be established.

It is, however, pointed out that the completion of the Rugby Wireless Telegraph Station has enabled tests in two way transmission to be conducted. In the course of ordinary routine work last Sunday when two-way conversation tests were carried out with very promising results, conditions of the ether at the time were abnormally favourable for wireless transmissions. There was little atmospheric disturbance or noise, the quality of speech in both directions was clear and free from distortion or fading, and the voices of individual speakers were easily recognisable.

It is expected, however, that numerous technical obstacles, including difficulties arising from interference, will be encountered and will have to be surmounted before a commercial service is practicable. Full co-operation of several technical staffs of the British Post Office and American Telephone and Telegraph Company has been established and work will progress as rapidly as possible.

MACAO RADIO.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Macao, Feb. 13.

The news regarding the sale of the radio communication station is incorrect.

[According to the report which is now stated to be incorrect, the Government of Macao were stated to have acquired from the Radio Communication Co. for \$17,000 the wireless installation set up by that Company at Macao, a year ago.]

COACH AFIRE.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Feb. 12.

As the mail-train from London to Manchester was rushing through Rugby station at midnight, one of the coaches was observed to be afire. The train was stopped and there followed a fight with the flames at the wayside station of Brinklow. The coach, however, was almost destroyed before the fire was extinguished and a number of mail bags and a quantity of newspapers were lost.

RECORD PRICES.

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, Feb. 13.

Lord Leverhulme's sale up to the present has realised nearly \$500,000. The continued bidding up to high prices surprised everybody. It is believed that if buying continues at the present scale of prices the collection may realise twice the originally estimated value of \$2,000,000.

LEAGUE COUNCIL.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Feb. 13.

Yesterday's special meeting of the Council of the League of Nations at Geneva was brief and businesslike. Nearly all the States members of the Council were represented by their ministers in Switzerland, and after sitting in private for thirty-five minutes it was announced that a decision had been taken to convene an extraordinary meeting of the Assembly for March 8, when the application of Germany to be admitted as a member of the League will be considered.

In accordance with precedent, both Council and Assembly will meet on that date, the former in the forenoon and the latter in the afternoon. The agenda for the assembly meeting was approved. Apart from the admission of Germany to the League it includes the consideration by the Assembly of proposals made by council concerning the application of article four of the covenant.

This item of agenda contemplates that the Council at its earlier meeting will make proposals for the addition of Germany to the Council. Article four provides that with approval of the majority of the Assembly, the Council may name additional members of the League whose representatives shall always be members of Council, that is, permanent members. Council with like approval may increase the number of members of the League to be re-elected by Assembly for representation on the Council as non-permanent members.

LABOUR COLLEGE.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Feb. 12.

The General Council of the Trades Union Congress has accepted as Labour candidate at the 1923 election, an unconditional gift of her mansion "Eastern Lodge." It has been decided to make it a residential trade union college and the general council has issued an appeal for £50,000 to equip it.

GIANT MOTOR LINER.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Feb. 13.

The new motor liner "Asturias" which is the greatest afloat, was open for inspection yesterday, at Southampton, preparatory to sailing on her maiden voyage to South America on February 26. The "Asturias" was built by Harland and Wolff of Belfast for the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company which now has afloat or building 45 motor vessels of nearly 300,000 tons. The "Asturias" has a gross register of 22,500 tons.

DISARMAMENT.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, Feb. 12.

Mr. H. G. Gibson, United States Minister at Switzerland, has been recalled hither to discuss certain questions pertaining to the preliminary disarmament conference. He will give the Government first hand information on the disarmament policies of the various other countries concerned.

TURKEY AND RUSSIA.

(Reuter's Service.)

Constantinople, Feb. 12.

The National Assembly has ratified the Turco-Russian convention signed at Paris on December 12. Tewfik Rushdi Bey, Foreign Commissar, in a speech, declared that the agreement was the natural outcome of Turkey's friendly relations with Russia, and aimed solely at the maintenance of peace.

PROMOTED MEMBERS.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Feb. 12.

The House of Commons to-day by 143 votes to 74, passed the second reading of a private bill for removing the necessity of re-election of members of Parliament on their assuming office.

It was in the reign of Queen Anne that the act was passed requiring such re-election of new Ministers. In 1919, this statute was modified to a certain extent. The late Mr. Bonar Law brought in a bill which removed entirely the necessity of re-election but the bill was only passed in an amended form, freedom from re-election being confined to new Ministers appointed within the first nine months of a new Parliament. The bill before the House to-day completely abolishes the need for re-election.

Mr. Baldwin, the Premier, strongly supported the measure. He declared that at a time like this when we were trying more and more to draw our members of Parliament from men of every degree of wealth and poverty in order to help the country it was peculiarly hard that when a man was chosen for a vacant office, the first result of his being chosen was that he should spend probably the amount of his first year's salary in fighting again for his seat. There was also no doubt that there had been times in the past when men admirably qualified for office and who might have rendered great service to the State had been passed over because of the Government's fear of losing them by election. He thought that that was a very real blot on the present practice. Mr. Baldwin added that the Government would allow a free vote on the bill.

All Labour members taking part in the debate opposed the bill, largely on the assumption that it would limit the opportunities of the electorate to pronounce its views on the policy of a government which might remain in office for five years. Mr. Arthur Henderson asked the Premier if he would give an undertaking that if the bill were passed it should not take effect until the end of the present Parliament. Mr. Baldwin said he would consider the matter. It appears probable that having passed its second reading, the bill will be helped through its remaining stages by the Government.

STEAMER STRANDED.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Feb. 12.

The cross channel passenger steamer "Brighton," on the night service from Dieppe to Newhaven, stranded at Seaford Head near Newhaven shortly before four o'clock this morning in a thick haze. The sea was smooth and the necessity for assistance did not arise. After being aground nearly three hours the vessel was got off at dawn and arrived at Newhaven. The official statement says that so far as can be ascertained the steamer sustained no damage.

TO DISSOLVE?

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, Feb. 12.

The Board of Governors of the Consolidation Stock Exchange have passed a resolution to confer with members for the purpose of dissolving the Exchange and liquidating its assets.

EINSTEIN'S THEORY.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Feb. 12.

The Royal Astronomical Society this afternoon presented its gold medal to Professor Albert Einstein, thus marking its acceptance of the truth of his theory of relativity.

BOXER INDEMNITY.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Feb. 12.

The Foreign Office announces that Dr. Hu-shih, Dr. King and Dr. C. C. Wang have accepted Sir Austen Chamberlain's invitation to serve as Chinese members on a committee which is to advise the Foreign Secretary as to the utilisation of the funds of the China indemnity. It will be recalled that the China Indemnity Application Act provides that there should be at least two Chinese members on this committee and that on the death of Sir John Jordan it was decided further to strengthen the Chinese membership by the appointment of a third Chinese.

It is considered in official circles as a matter of congratulation that the three very eminent men mentioned above have accepted the invitation. They will join Lord Willingdon's delegation in China and it is hoped will come to this country to attend meetings of the full committee. Dr. Hu Shih is Professor of Philosophy and English at Peking University. He is leader of a movement for simplifying Chinese literature, a brilliant philosopher and an outstanding figure in educational circles. Dr. King is general manager of Pei Piao Coal Mining Company and Honorary Director of the Geological Survey of China. He has studied at Cambridge and Glasgow and is a leading educationalist as well as mining expert. Dr. Wang has been closely connected with Chinese railway development and administration. He is interested in the Young Men's Christian Association, plague prevention work and various philanthropic movements.

BRITAIN'S HOUSES.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Feb. 12.

Although in England and Wales housing arrears are being steadily overtaken, progress is not great in Scotland. During his recent visit to Scotland, the Prime Minister announced that the Government had decided to invite the Scottish National Housing Company to co-operate with them in the building of steel frame houses. There new houses can be constructed much more rapidly than those of brick, and towns in which the Government scheme will be undertaken were debated in the House of Commons last night.

It was stated that not only in large Scottish cities but in agricultural districts there was shortage of houses of about 100,000 to 150,000. The Government scheme provided for advances of £200,000 towards the erection of two thousand houses of approved design. Although the Labour Party did not vote against the scheme, which was warmly supported by some of its members as offering relief to the housing problem, there was much criticism by other members of the party on the ground that building wages and conditions were not considered in constructing new types of houses.

CUSTOMS DUTIES.

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Paris, Feb. 13.

The Franco-German plenipotentiaries signed a provisional commercial agreement according to the Customs facilities for certain products of the respective countries. Seasonal products of French agriculture imported into Germany will enjoy "most favoured nation" treatment and a stipulated reduction of tariff.

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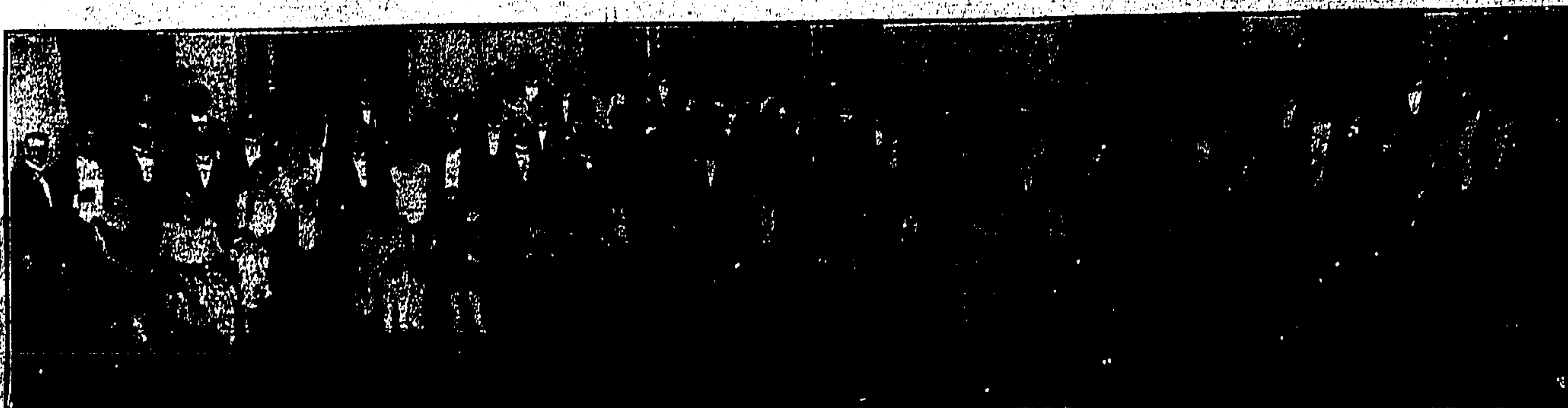


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Last Friday the Dockyard Recreation Club held their annual ball at the City Hall. Above is a flashlight photo of those present.

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HAWAII MARU ... Thursday, 8th April
SOMERSET—Via Singapore and Colombo.

TACOMA MARU ... Friday, 19th February
SHINOH MARU ... Tuesday, 23rd February
SAIKOKU—Via Saigon.
SEKKOW MARU ... Friday, 19th February
CAVOTTA—Via Singapore and Bangkok.

SANUKI MARU ... Thursday, 25th February
BINGO MARU ... Thursday, 25th March
1570MIA, MATTHEW TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Shanghai and Japan Ports.
ABABA MARU (From Shanghai) ... Sunday, 17th February
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama.
HAI PHONG via HONGKONG and YOKOHAMA.

TAKIWA MARU ... Thursday, 18th February at 10 a.m.
AMAKUSA MARU ... Thursday, 4th March at 10 a.m.
JAPAN PORTS:
GANGES MARU ... Monday, 22nd February
AMUR MARU ... Tuesday, 16th March
KELONG via SWATOW and AMOY.
AMAKUSA MARU ... Wednesday, 17th Feb. at 10 a.m.
TAKAO via SWATOW and AMOY.
SUWA MARU ... Friday, 19th February
TAKAO and KELONG.
KOHMO MARU ... Friday, 26th February
GANGES MARU ... Monday, 22nd February
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SWATOW.

Feb. 16—D.L. Hanching

Feb. 17—O.N. Sinkiang

AMOI.

Feb. 16—D.L. Hanching

Feb. 17—O.S.N. Latsang

Feb. 18—O.N. Anshu

Mar. 1—J.O.J.L. Tibodas

FOOCHOW.

Feb. 16—D.L. Hanching

SHANGHAI.

Feb. 17—N.Y.K. Toyooka Maru

Feb. 17—O.S.N. Kwoosang

Feb. 17—O.N. Sinkiang

Feb. 18—O.N. Sinkiang

Feb. 18—O.S.P. Empress of All's

Feb. 20—O.N. Sinkiang

Feb. 20—N.Y.K. Kaga Maru

Feb. 21—A.O.L. Pres. McKinley

Feb. 21—N.Y.K. Hakozaki Maru

Feb. 21—N.Y.K. Yamagata Maru

Feb. 21—O.S.N. Fausang

Feb. 21—N.Y.K. Tsuruga Maru

Mar. 1—J.O.J.L. Tibodas

Mar. 1—B. B. Ila de Pansy

Mar. 1—J.O.J.L. Tibodas

Mar. 1—A.O.L. Pres. Grant

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SOMERSET AND COLOMBO VIA STORM & FANING.

Feb. 16—P.O. Miripore

Feb. 16—N.Y.K. Wasata Maru

Feb. 16—P.O. Kiddlepore

Feb. 16—O.S.K. Tacoma Maru

Feb. 16—O.S.K. Shinach Maru

Mar. 7—N.Y.K. Fuda

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Feb. 20—B. F. Antiochus

Mar. 1—B. F. City of Labor

Mar. 1—B. F. Telemachus

Apr. 1—B. F. Ixion

MARSHALLS.

Feb. 16—B. F. D'Aragnas

Feb. 16—J.O.J.L. Gemma

Feb. 16—P. O. Karmala

Feb. 16—B. F. Antiochus

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"KARMA"	10,508	9th Mar.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
"KARMA"	9,585	16th Mar.	Singapore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay
"KARMA"	9,585	23rd Mar.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
"KARMA"	9,585	30th Mar.	Singapore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay
"KARMA"	9,585	6th Apr.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
"KARMA"	9,585	13th Apr.	Singapore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay
"KARMA"	9,585	20th Apr.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
"KARMA"	9,585	27th Apr.	Singapore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay
"KARMA"	9,585	4th May	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
"KARMA"	9,585	11th May	Singapore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay
"KARMA"	9,585	18th May	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
"KARMA"	9,585	25th May	Singapore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay
"KARMA"	9,585	1st June	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
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"KARMA"	9,585	15th June	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
"KARMA"	9,585	22nd June	Singapore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay
"KARMA"	9,585	29th June	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
"KARMA"	9,585	6th July	Singapore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay
"KARMA"	9,585	13th July	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
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"TALAMA"	10,000	11th Mar.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"SHIRALA"	7,841	18th Mar.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TARADA"	6,849	25th Mar.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

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"TANDA"	8,958	3rd Mar.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island,
"TANDA"	8,958	10th Mar.	Tuesday, Brisbane, Sydney and
"TANDA"	8,958	17th Mar.	Malaysia, do.
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"KARMA"	9,135	24th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KARMA"	9,135	31st Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KARMA"	9,135	7th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KARMA"	9,135	14th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KARMA"	9,135	21st Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KARMA"	9,135	28th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KARMA"	9,135	4th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KARMA"	9,135	11th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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"KARMA"	9,135	11th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KARMA"	9,135	18th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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FROM SHANGHAI

Feb. 18.—M.M. D'Arques
28.—J.C.J.L. Tientsin

FROM HONGKONG

Feb. 17.—B.F. Tientsin
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is due here to-morrow at 8 a.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of
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Yokohama, at 6 a.m. on Feb. 19.
The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of
Asia" left Vancouver for Hong-
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Feb. 26.

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SPORT.

Thoughtful minds deplore the great amount of time given to sport and the things of sport. It is probable, at the moment, that a vast proportion of people is more concerned that two continental prize-fighters have fought a draw; that Mme. Lenglen and Miss Helen Wills are meeting at tennis—than it is with the entrance of Germany into the League of Nations, or the sizzling utterances of a bucolic Mussolini, with their possible disturbing effect. The reason may not be far to seek. The issue in sport is plain. The methods employed do not need deep thought with which to understand them. It is not a question of mere brawn only, but the judicious exercise of thought in the games played, which makes sport so "understandable of the people." And out of it all they get something which passes the time; something about which to talk—and, if they engage in any branch of sport—something with which to exercise the body. In politics, such is not the case. The issues are often obscure, and those who take part in it, prone to do so with a "lie upon the soul" and a "lie on the lips." Dean Inge, in a purposeful newspaper essay says that politicians always talk with the finger on the popular pulse. Their measures, their speeches, their tactics, are no more honest than the angler's baited hook. "Politics resolves itself into the art of advocating what is known to be bad, as the only alternative to something worse." It may be that the peoples of the world tacitly agree, and turn to something about and in which there is little or no corruption. It Shanghai has beaten Hongkong at football, the face of the world is not altered thereby. Instead there is a desire to know how it was done. Shanghai, perhaps, becomes an object of re-

spect. Above all is the important fact that sport is becoming universal. Golf and football and boxing are not now the particular games of, say, Britain. Other nations contest for supremacy in these matters, to the great gain of the games concerned and the outlook of numbers of people, unknown to each other but drawn invisibly together by a common interest. It may be along these lines that the peoples of the East and the West will find a bond of sympathy past all understanding, helping towards that complete understanding which is the desire of true sportsmen of these places.

NAVAL ECONOMY.

TWO MILLIONS SAVED TO THE
TAXPAYER.

FIRST LORD'S CLAIM.

(Reuter's Service.)

Torquay, Feb. 14.

Mr. W. C. Bridgeman, First Lord of the Admiralty, in a speech here, announced that the Admiralty economies not only would cover the whole cost of the new construction programme, but would also save the taxpayer over two millions sterling besides, without depriving the Navy of the power of carrying out its duties.

FAIRY STORIES.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Feb. 14.

In the course of his speech at Torquay, Mr. W. C. Bridgeman said that practically all the economies were devised by his advisers at the Admiralty and settled in agreement with the Treasury. The only point on which they did not agree was referred to somebody else to arbitrate. The stories of disagreements between the Admiralty and the Treasury could be completely disregarded.

FOR HUMANITY.

RECORD DONATION BY JOHN
ROCKEFELLER.

AN EGYPTIAN MUSEUM.

(Reuter's Service.)

Cairo, Feb. 14.

What is believed to be a record donation for humanistic science and research has been offered by Mr. John Rockefeller, junior, to King Fuad and the people of Egypt, amounting to ten million dollars, for the purpose of building and maintaining in Cairo a museum which will probably be the finest in the world and establishing an Archaeological Institute in conjunction therewith. Professor James H. Breasted, the noted American Orientalist, who formally presented the offer to King Fuad, declared, in an interview that the donor seeks thereby to express the friendship of America, the newest land of the West, for Egypt, the oldest land of the East.

SERIOUS CLOUD.

MOST SERIOUS IN LOCARNO
SKY.

SUSPICION OF A TRICK.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Feb. 13.

Conflicting British and French viewpoints on the subject of the new permanent members of the League Council are becoming what the "Daily Chronicle" calls the most serious cloud that has so far appeared in the Locarno sky.

The London papers urge Sir Austen Chamberlain to oppose the admission of Spain, Poland, and Brazil, which will probably be construed as a trick to cancel the advantage that Germany is likely to secure from Council membership.

No Common Sense.

Paris, Feb. 13.

The newspapers vigorously support the French standpoint. The "Gaulois" says that Germany's appearance on the Council as equal allies challenges the common sense of international justice.

The Geneva correspondent of the "Matin" argues that since Poland is one of the pillars of the Locarno Pact she is logically entitled to a seat alongside Germany.

"WAIT AND SEE."

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Feb. 14.

The question of the admission of Powers other than Germany to permanent seats on the Council of the League of Nations continues to be discussed in the newspapers, which fully recognise the importance of the issues raised. Hopes are expressed that the claims will not be pressed, and technical, as well as political, reasons against a present increase in the number of permanent seats are fully stated.

The view of the British Government is that, although the issues are being carefully studied as far as is practicable at this stage, it is impossible to decide on the course which will best serve the interests of the Council and of the League generally until the claims are definitely advanced, and arguments for and against are fully considered by the representatives at Geneva.

In this connection the "Observer" remarks that: "When the moment arrives for the British vote to be cast, her policy will be determined by her loyalty to the Locarno ideal, by an honest interpretation of the promised restoration to Germany of the full status of a European Great Power, and by the best interests of the League itself."

"CHARLEY'S" AUNT.

A FAMOUS FARCE ON THE
SCREEN.

FINE QUEEN'S FILM.

Exactly how many people have laughed at "Charley's Aunt" since the play was first staged over thirty years ago, it is impossible to tell—the number must run into millions—but it is safe to say that the figure will be eclipsed by the numbers who see the film version of the famous farce in all parts of the world where the silver screen holds sway. The picture met with an instant success in Hongkong yesterday when it delighted crowded holiday audiences at every performance in the Queen's Theatre.

The role of Charley's aunt, "from Brazil where the nuts come from," was filled by Syd. Chaplin, brother of the great screen comedian, and it is safe to say that nobody, not even Charley himself, could have played the part better. W. S. Penley, who made the character famous more than thirty years ago on the stage, has a worthy successor in Syd. Chaplin on the screen.

Needless to say where "Charley's Aunt" loses through the absence of the dialogue (though he is said the substitutes are very clever) it more than gains by the bigger settings and greater mechanical scope offered by the screen. Thus the fullest spice is got out of the hilarious episodes which follow each other in quick succession and a general impression is given of quick diverting comedy.

As to the plot itself, all that need be said here is that those who know it already will be delighted to see how ingeniously it has been adapted to the conventions of the screen, and those who do not know it have an even greater treat in store, novelty and surprise being added to the measure of enjoyment the picture provides.

An excellent Snub Pollard comedy reminiscent of "Easy Street" and the latest topical gagette complete a delightful holiday programme.

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

There were two "The Complete Angler" is another name for Euclid, because he wrote all about angles. Clive committed suicide three times. Oliver Twist had a very good effect, for people saw the work-houses in a different limelight. Degrees of Comparison of Bad: Bad, very sick; dead. Shakespeare was the author of "Omelet". The plural of ox is Oxo. Crewe is the biggest conjunction in England. Menal Straits are spanned by a tubercular bridge. One of the funniest bits of scientific thought is expressed thus:—

Water is composed of two gins. Oxygen and Hydrogen. Oxygen is pure gin, Hydrogen is gin and water. A budding medical student declared that "doctors now treat patience with ultra-violent rays."

Is there anything Kind Thought: to equal the sympathy shown by a London literary man who formed a band of nature-lovers to supply the polar bear at the Zoo with ice in the summer?

The ex-Speaker of the No Fear. House of Commons—Viscount Ullswater—tells a number of good stories in his book. Here is one of them:—

A farmer's wife, going into a barn, saw her husband hanging from a beam, upon which she ejaculated: "Well! I wonder what you will do next!" The story goes on that a friend said to her: "Did not you at once cut him down?" And that she replied, "No, for he was still alive."

A Priest writes the Was It following to a well-Suggestion? known literary journal:—Late one night I was summoned to attend a sick man. Half an hour later I saw him. I could notice no sign of severe illness, yet he was choking for breath, and an ominous rattle came from his throat. He said the doctor had advised him to send for a priest.

He pointed to his throat, touched it, and snatched his hand away as if it had felt something uncanny. I examined his throat, and found it drawn and sunken as if under great pressure. He was being choked to death. "I shall be dead in the morning," he laboured, "but I want a favour from you before I go." He pointed to a child asleep in a cot. "Two years ago my wife died," he continued, "and it was her last wish that I should have our little girl baptized. I promised to carry out her wish, but I have not kept my word. Will you baptize her?" I did so. I had scarcely finished, when the pressure was lifted from his throat, and a few minutes later he was quite well.

These are always acceptable, and the latest Howlers, batch is as amusing as the many others which have amused the world.

WHEN IT WAS RATHER DARK.

It is no wanton paradox to suggest that the darker the age the easier it is to shed a little light on the subject. When a man is reconstructing an epoch from an inch or two of bone he at least gains confidence by knowing that he is in possession of all the facts, although "the facts" about 10,000 years of human life may be limited to a few relics which could be put into an attaché case. Thus, if a man of letters chose to write a chronicle play about the owner of the Pitdown skull or the doings and woolings of the Neanderthal man, the critics could no more punish him for mishandling the facts than the friends of Mrs. Gamp could have blamed her for misrepresenting Mrs. Harris. On the other hand, where there is a positive blaze of light the critic must equally confine himself to matters of tendency and judgment. If a dramatist were now to write a chronicle play about Mr. Gladstone he could have no possible excuse for muddling up the actual events of his hero's career, observes the "Manchester Guardian." The life is sufficiently well known to make it obvious that criticism would descend upon the writer's valuation of Gladstone's work and his estimate of motives, and not upon the narrative of the hero's achievement. The real trouble of the historian occurs when his subject is neither radiant with the light of contemporary and contemporaneous evidence nor pleasantly sunk in the gloom of prehistoric mists and fogs. From this point of view the Middle Ages may be defined as the time when it was rather dark which is the worst time of day for history. The story of Joan of Arc provides a first-rate example of a subject where the

historian knows both too little and too much. So it is that one book (or play) about "Saint Joan" goes on creating another. Mr. Shaw could hardly fail to draw fire. There is published to-day by Mr. Cobden-Sanderson a book by Mr. J. M. Robertson called "Mr. Shaw and the Maid." Mr. Robertson is an admirable controversialist. Whether the enemy be the Protectionist or the priest or the misguided wretches who think that Heminge and Conell were infallible editors of Shakespeare, he hits them hard and hits them clean. He thinks that Mr. Shaw has gone over to the romantics and the obscurantists, has praised the Maid in the wrong kind of way, and has let the Catholic Church off far too lightly. Many people will admit that Mr. Shaw's eagerness to justify the authoritarianism of the Church was stimulated by his eagerness to discredit the authoritarianism of modern science, and we can, surely, all appreciate Mr. Robertson's thrust at Mr. Shaw's insatiable zeal for signing minority reports. But when it comes down to these disputed actualities of Joan's career the debate turns dull, however eloquent the speaker. Intricate considerations of military tactics, the value of Joan as an artillery expert, the strategy of Compiegne, and the ethics and politics of ecclesiastical jurisdiction are points on which we can and just enough light to stage a good quarrel, but not a sufficient blaze to find the satisfaction that is a cogent proof and certainty of knowledge. So the hurry-burry will continue. To be canonized is to be a theme and a target for the centuries, and Saint Joan's career is all the more likely to be an eternal bone of contention because it happened to occur when it was rather dark.

HOME POLITICS.

BY-ELECTION FOR CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.

A LANARKSHIRE VACANCY.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Feb. 14.

Mr. John James Withers, Conservative, has been returned unopposed to the House of Commons for Cambridge University in succession to the late Rt. Hon. J. P. Rawlinson who had been Unionist M. P. since 1908.

[Mr. J. J. Withers, M.B.E. 1918, Fellow of St. Catherine's College, Cambridge, 1920, solicitor, senior partner, in firm of Withers, Benson, Currie, Williams & Co., was born on December 21, 1863, being a son of Mr. James Tuck Withers. He was educated at Eton and King's College, Cambridge. He was married in 1893 to Caroline Gifford, daughter of Dr. Gifford Ramsford. He has for many years been a co-opted member of the Cambridge University Appointments Board, a Director of the Local and General Assurance Society Limited, and Hon. Secretary of the Alpine Club, 1909-11. During the war he assisted the Propaganda Department and Ministry of Information Publications. He has published the Register of King's College, Cambridge (1903), various sections of the Alpine Club Edition of Ball's Central Alps, and various articles on mountaineering in Alpine Journal. His recreations are mountaineering and rowing.]

Labour M.P.'s Death.

The death has occurred of Mr. John Robertson, M.B.E., Labour M.P. for the Bothwell Division of Lanarkshire since 1919.

Mr. Robertson who was born in 1867, and worked in the coal mines as a boy of thirteen years, was a Low Commissioner of the Treasury in the last Labour Government, and Chairman of the Scottish Miners' Union.

A DEADLOCK.

FUTILE EFFORTS TO END WIRELESS STRIKE.

EMPLOYERS FIRM.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Feb. 14.

The protracted negotiations between the representatives of the marine wireless operators on strike and the ship owners have ended in a deadlock with no immediate prospect of settlement according to the Chairman of the Operators' Association, who said that the employers simply repeated their terms and gave the Association seven days to accept, threatening, in the event of refusal, to offer certain conditions to the men individually.

The failure to agree was confined to the questions of wages and reinstatement of the strikers, the employers insisting that the men resume at reduced rates and be reinstated only as the employers are able to offer them service.

The Chairman concluded that 1,300 ships are now going to sea without qualified wireless operators, of whom over 1,900 are on strike.

Reductions Unjustified.

London, later.

The Wireless Telegraphists' Association, in a statement, says that the operators are prepared to submit the whole dispute to the Industrial Court, but they are not prepared to prejudice the case before the Court by accepting a "totally unjustified reduction."

It points out that the wireless operators accepted reductions in 1922 and 1924 additional to any reduction accepted by other seafaring men.

PRETTY CHINESE WEDDING.



Group photo taken at the Garden, East Point, after the wedding, in European style, of Mr. Cheuk Yuen-leung (younger brother of Mr. Cheuk Wai-kan) and Miss Lam Hui-yin (third daughter of Mr. Lam Yui-sun).

SWISS BLAMED.

FOR FAILURE TO SETTLE SOVIET QUARREL.

FRENCH MEDIATION.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Feb. 14.

The Russo-Swiss reconciliation, on which depends the 'Soviets' participation in the League Disarmament Conference, is making little headway, judging from the official statement from Moscow blaming the Swiss attitude for the failure to settle the dispute through the medium of France, declaring that Switzerland insisted on eliminating from the text of its declaration anything that could be interpreted as an unqualified expression of regret for the assassination of Vorovsky and refused to consent to any formula establishing an agreement to compensate Vorovsky's daughter.

The Soviet statement, however, gratefully acknowledges the efforts of the French Government.

Rounding on Council.

Moscow, Feb. 14.

Mr. Chicherin's reply to the League's invitation to participate in the preparatory meeting of the Disarmament Conference says that the Soviet cannot attend any conference on Swiss territory pending a settlement of its conflict with Switzerland. It hopes that the obstacles will be eliminated, otherwise the Soviet will hold the Council of the League responsible for its exclusion.

FRENCH FINANCE.

GOVERNMENT NOT YET SECURE.

TROUBLES JUST BEGINNING.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Feb. 13.

The newspapers congratulate M. Briand, Premier, on forcing the issue in last night's debate and emphasise that thereby a new majority has appeared from which the Socialists are excluded. The way has been opened for urgent solutions, though the "Figaro" is of opinion that the Government's troubles are about to begin, and the main difficulty will be to persuade the Chamber to give a positive vote on the fresh taxation clauses and then to secure a working majority.

"La Venie" similarly thinks that the Cartel is inoperable, it has not strengthened the Government. The "Matin" declares that as the three main clauses in the Cartel's financial scheme was rejected the whole scheme may be regarded as washed out.

Avoiding a Crisis.

Paris, later.

After the uncomfortable experience of being split in three by the debate on the vote of confidence, in the Government, the Radical-Socialist group has called a Congress aiming at renewed unity, preferably avoiding a Ministerial crisis.

The working of the Maintenance Orders Ordinance is published in the "Gazette" regarding Hongkong, South Australia and Bermuda.

New names have been given in the current issue of the "Gazette" to streets in the Colony. Most of these are on the peninsula. One such name is "Wong Tai" Street which means "Yellow Emperor" Street; another can be translated "Green Dragon" Street; they appropriately have the same junction.

COAL COMMISSION.

MEETING OF MINE OWNERS THIS WEEK.

BOTH SIDES MORE PACIFIC.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Feb. 14.

Importance is attached by the Press to a meeting of mine owners which will be held this week to consider the coal situation.

It is stated that on both sides during recent weeks a growing feeling has been displayed in favour of making a further attempt to secure a peaceful solution of the problem.

Meanwhile, the members of the Coal Commission, in order that the Prime Minister shall have a report at the end of the month, have been working about thirteen hours a day for the past fortnight.

TIT FOR TAT.

LATVIA TURNS TABLES ON THE SOVIET.

A FRONTIER INCIDENT.

(Reuter's Service.)

Riga, Feb. 14.

There has been a development of the Russo-Latvian incident.

The Latvians have sent a Note to the Soviet demanding a thorough investigation into the frontier incident, which occurred on February 12 when five men crossed the frontier and, it is alleged, assaulted and carried off a policeman. The Note demands the repatriation of the policeman and the punishment of the culprits.

DUTCH TRADE.

PROVISIONAL AGREEMENT WITH TURKEY.

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

(Reuter's Service.)

Amsterdam, Feb. 14.

The Foreign Ministry announces that a provisional Turkish-Dutch Trade Agreement has been concluded, and will come into force on Monday for six months, whereby both countries will enjoy most favoured nation treatment. Negotiations for a permanent agreement have already begun.

SOVIET DEBTS.

DELEGATION ARRIVES IN PARIS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Feb. 14.

The Soviet debt delegation has arrived here. It will be headed by the Soviet Ambassador, M. Rakovsky.

JANUARY'S WEATHER.

The rainfall for January at the Botanical Gardens was 31 inch on 4 days; at the Matilda Hospital, it was 35 inch on 8 days; and at the Tai Po Police Station, it was a blank both in inches and days. The lowest reading of the barometer (mean sea level) was 29.927 inches at 3 p.m. on the 18th. The maximum squall velocity, as recorded by the Dines-Baxendell anemograph, was at the rate of 44 miles per hour at 8.19 a.m. on the 3rd.

The mean temperature for the month was 61.1 degrees. The highest was 75.6 on the 18th and the lowest 51.6 on the 22nd. There were 172.9 hours of sunshine during the month. The Observatory recorded a total rainfall of .215 inch.

An old Jew lay a-dying. He was sinking fast and his sight was failing him. In feeble tones he spoke to his family gathered round the bedside. "Is Rachael there?" he asked. "Yes, dear, I'm here," replied his wife.

"Is my son Solomon there?" "Yes, father." "Is Hyman there?" "Yes, father." "Is little Abie there?" "Yes, father." "Is my daughter Leah there?" "Yes, father." "Are you all there, every one of you?" "Yes, father," came the chorus. "Then who's looking after the shop?"

THREE PENALTIES.

HONGKONG LOSES BY ODD GOAL IN NINE.

INTERPORT SOCCER.

(Reuter's Service.)

Shanghai, Feb. 13.

Shanghai beat Hongkong at football by five goals to four.

The football match was very exciting. Over 6,000 people were present. The ground at the start was hard and dry, but there was a drizzle in the first half and a downpour all through the second half. This quickly rendered conditions unpleasant.

Hongkong scored first through Charlesworth after ten minutes' play.

Shanghai equalised five minutes later by a penalty taken by Goldman.

When the game was half an hour old, Goldman again scored from a penalty.

Shanghai continued to press, but Rodger made several fine saves.

The score at half time was Shanghai two, Hongkong one.

Two minutes after the restart Hongkong drew level through Humberstone heading in a goal from a corner.

Hongkong quickly made it three goals to two through Gosano. Then Shanghai drew level through Johnson.

Five minutes later Humberstone scored again. Goldman then equalised with a third penalty.

Ten minutes from the end Goldman gave Shanghai the lead from a pass from the right.

Both sides had narrow escapes, but there was no further scoring.

MONEY IN TENNIS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Cannes, Feb. 13.

Mlle. Lenglen has summoned pressmen and photographers to the Carlton courts and made a statement that she was not connected with the agitation for barring photographers and cinematographers from the courts. She desired all photographers to be allowed to enter and if there was any further bother on the matter she would feel inclined to withdraw from the tournament.

At a meeting of pressmen, photographers and cinematographers at the Carlton Hotel in the evening, Mr. F. M. B. Fisher, presiding, announced that rights of filming the match were now open to purchase, the original option having been returned.

Latest News.

Nice, Feb. 14.

At a stormy meeting of pressmen and cinematographers at the Carlton Hotel, Cannes, presided over by Mr. F. M. B. Fisher, it was announced that no bids had been received for the exclusive cinema rights of the Lenglen v. Wills match, and that the management of the Carlton Club were prepared to allow cinematographers to enter on a payment of £25 each.

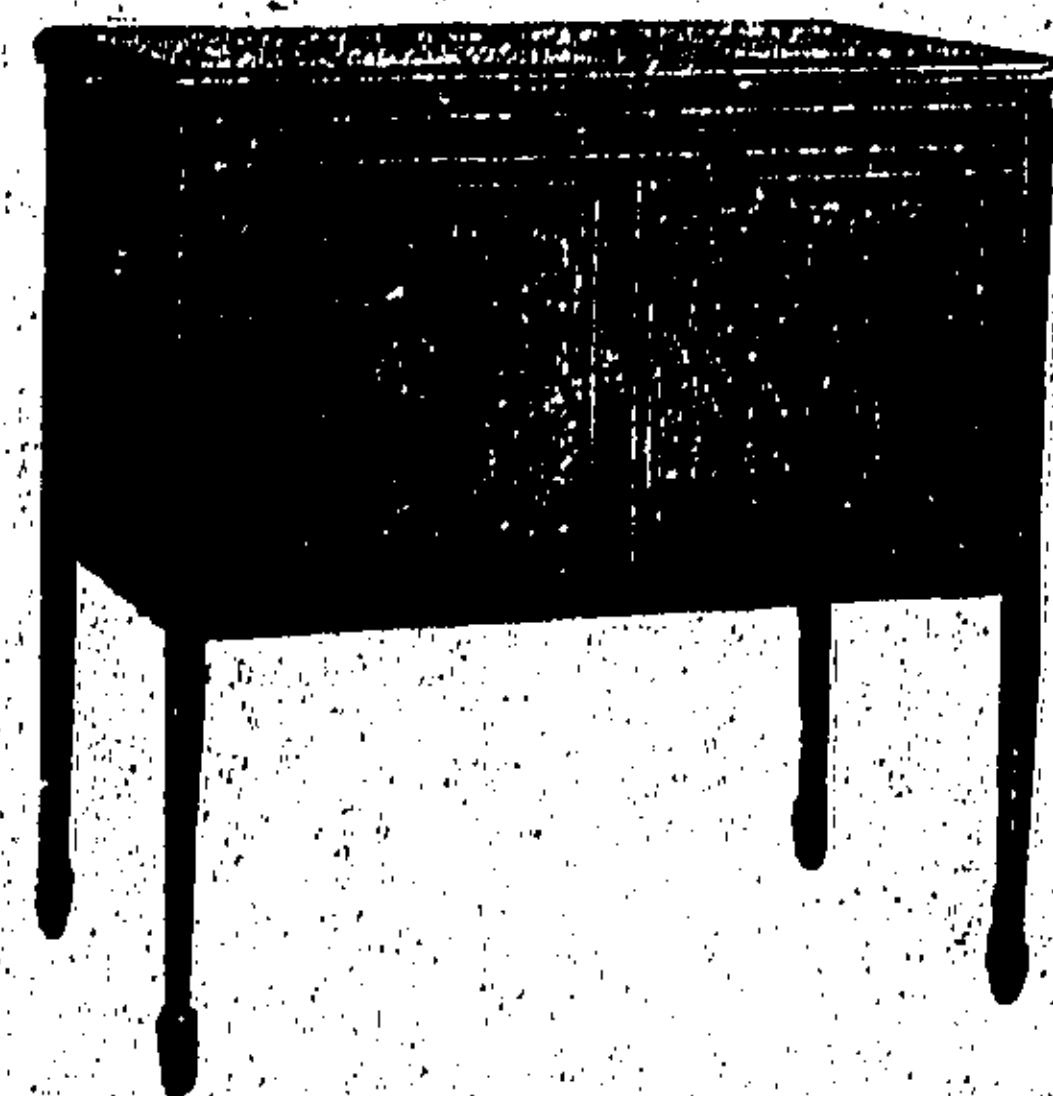
The cinematographers, however, flatly refused to pay. After a long discussion, the management yielded and consequently cinematographers will be allowed free entry to the match on Tuesday.

BOXING.

(Reuter's Service.)

Berlin, Feb. 12.

A ten round fight between Paulino of France and Diener of Germany resulted in a draw.



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HOME SOCCER.

SATURDAY'S DOINGS IN THE LEAGUE.

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(Reuter's Service.)

London, Feb. 13.

League football matches played to-day (home team given first) resulted:—

Division I.

Arsenal 3, Newcastle 0.
Aston Villa 2, West Bromwich Albion 1.
Birmingham 2, Sheffield 0.
Blackburn 4, Tottenham Hotspur 2.

Bury 4, Cardiff 1.
Huddersfield 3, Everton 0.
Leicester 1, Notts County 0.
Liverpool 3, Burnley 2.
Manchester United 2, Leeds 1.
Sunderland 5, Manchester City 3.
West Ham 6, Bolton 0.

Division II.

Blackpool 4, Barnsley 0.
Darlington 6, Clapton Orient 0.
Fulham 2, South Shields 1.
Hull 0, Chelsea 1.
Notts Forest 0, Bradford City 0.
Oldham 4, Middlesbrough 1.
Wednesday 2, Wolverhampton 1.
Southampton 2, Port Vale 3.
Stockport 1, Preston North End 1.
Stoke 2, Portsmouth 1.
Swansea 2, Derby 0.

Div. III (South).

Bristol City 1, Watford 0.
Charlton 1, Millwall 4.
Brentford 3, Crystal Palace 2.
Gillingham 1, Bournemouth 2.
Luton 4, Swindon 1.
Merthyr 5, Reading 2.
Newport 3, Exeter 0.
Norwich 2, Northampton 1.
Plymouth 5, Brighton 3.
Queen's Park Rangers 2, Bristol Rovers 1.
Southend 0, Aberdure 1.

Division III (North).

Ashington 6, Doncaster 1.
Barrow 4, Wrexham 3.
Bradford 3, Rochdale 1.
Chesterfield 4, Tranmere 0.
Grimsby 2, Hartlepool 0.
Hullfax 1, Accrington 1.
Nelson 4, Coventry 1.
New Brighton 5, Lincoln 0.
Rotherham 2, Durham 0.
Walsall 0, Crewe Alexandra 3.
Wigan 2, Southport 1.

Scottish League.

Airdrieonians 2, Hearts 2.
Clydebank 2, Morton 1.
Dundee United 1, St. Mirren 2.
Falkirk 1, Celtic 1.
Hamilton 0, Dundee 0.
Hibernians 3, Motherwell 1.
Kilmarnock 3, Partick 3.
Queen's Park 3, Cowdenbeath 4.
Rangers 4, Raith Rovers 2.
St. Johnstone 1, Aberdeen 1.

BOXING EXHIBITION.

"Kid" Alfred, the Filipino fly and bantam weight boxer now in the Colony (who beat Harry Major at the City Hall) will be giving an exhibition at the Lee Garden at 6 p.m. to-day. He will spar with partners, and go through various stages in training as well as shadow box.

HOME MAILS.

A total of 335 bags, including the newspaper mail from London dated January 14, arrived this morning. The letter mail of the same date arrived yesterday.

The s.s. "Mirzapore," due to-day, has on board 200 bags, including 23 from London via Siberia.

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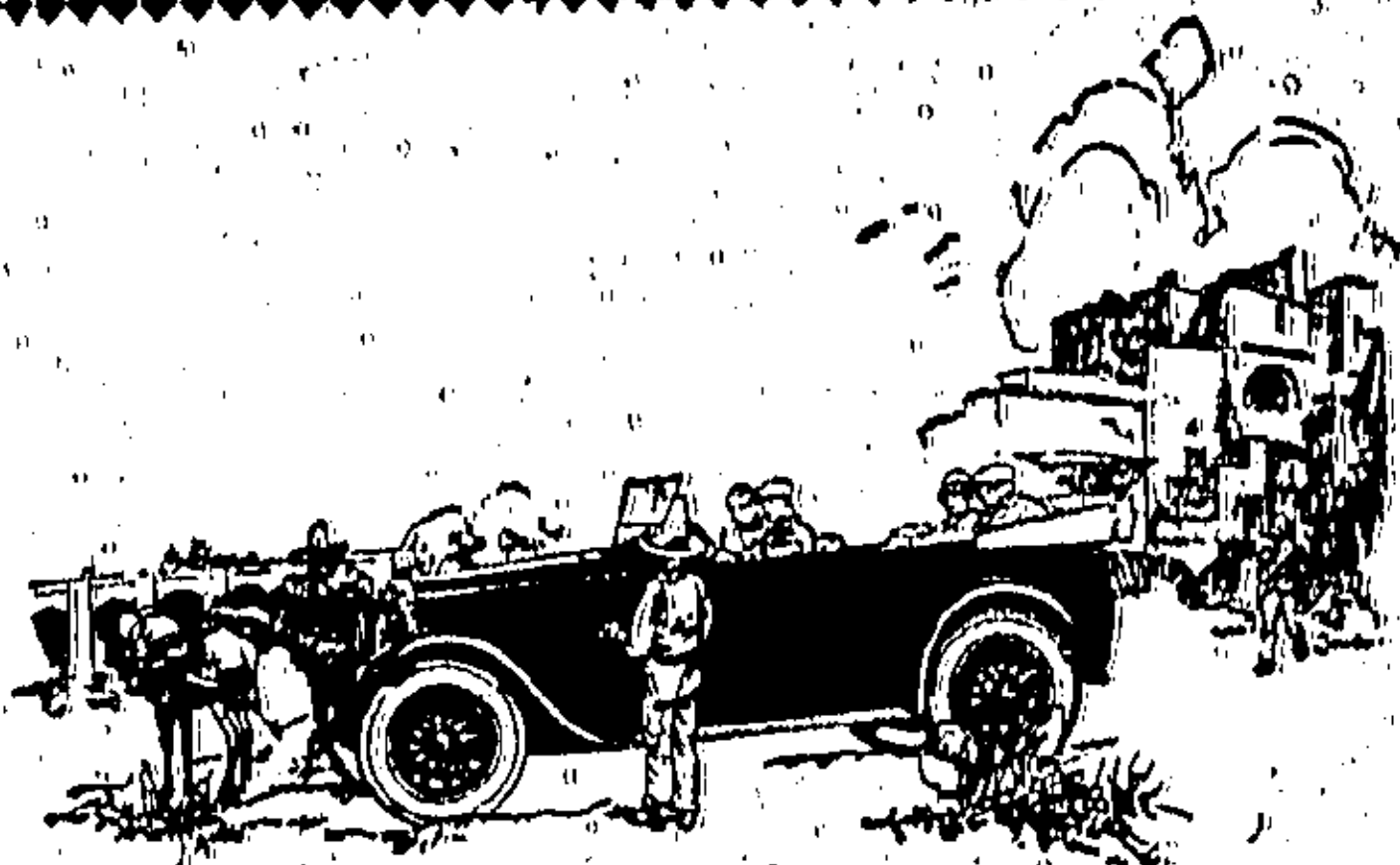
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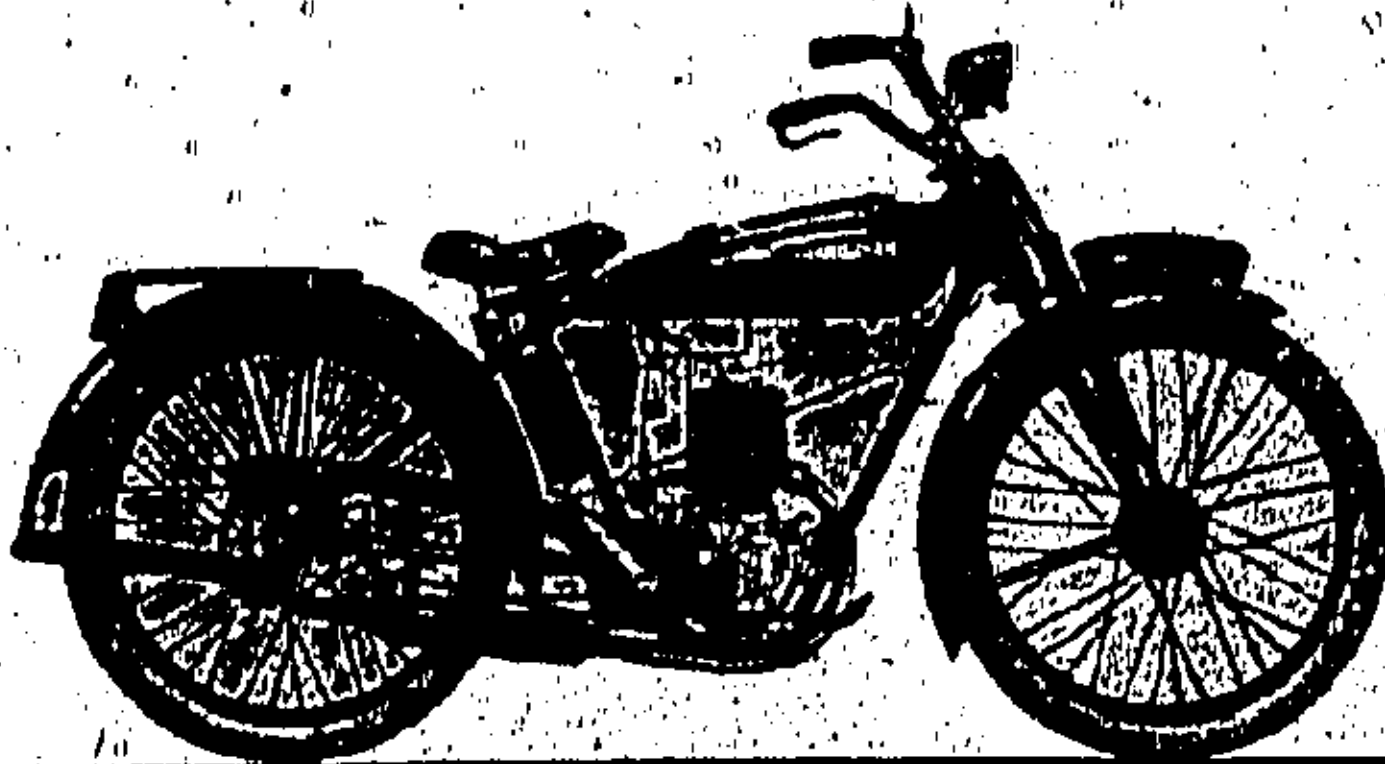
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Charley's Aunt is the attraction at the Queen's Theatre. It is an uproarious farce.

One Chinese case of "paratyphoid fever" was recorded for the 24 hours ended Thursday.

Mr. Robert George Bates, of Shopperton, Middlesex, who has died, aged 77, started to ride a motor-cycle at 72 and learned to drive a motor-car last year.

The weather was so cold up in Hokkaido the other evening, says the "Osaka Asahi," that even the oil in the kerosene lamps and the ink in desk inkwells were frozen. The temperature in Obihiro, Island was 30 degrees below.

How the "get-rich-quick" public was preyed upon for years by the three brothers Mandeville the well-known city financiers, aged 57, 56 and 51, was revealed at the Old Bailey where they were found guilty and sentenced to six years' penal servitude each. The police gave evidence that \$500,000 would be a modest estimate of the amount they had defrauded the public by floating bogus companies. The Mandevilles owned a town house and a country mansion and once ran a newspaper called the Financial Mail. The Judge hoped the facts of the case had informed the public of the danger of credulity.

A competition has been instituted by Mr. Clement H. Biddle of New York for pupils in the secondary and higher elementary schools of the world. The prizes amount to the sum of about \$250, and are to be awarded for the best short essays on the twelve figures in human history, men or women, deemed worthy of remembrance as the world's greatest heroes. It is not required that the essays should be long—certainly they should not exceed 200 words—and they should be submitted before the 15th of May, this year. Fuller particulars can be had on application to the World Hero Prize Competition, 532, Seventeenth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., U.S.A.

The loss of a typewriter, valued at \$500, has been reported to the police by Mr. Bow, of Messrs. Dodwell and Co., Ltd. The machine was stolen from the office some time between Tuesday and Friday.

The Eastern Extension Telegraph Company notifies that telegrams for Harbin and other places in Manchuria are accepted for transmission via Irkutsk at \$0.60 per word for ordinary telegrams and \$0.30 per word for press telegrams.

An important addition to the equipment of the port of Colombo is a smart little tug, the Marie Regina which arrived from home on January 14 in charge of Captain Leavack. On November 4, she left the Mersey for Colombo and en route experienced the worst of weather, the voyage occupying altogether 71 days.

The number of vessels which entered Ceylon ports during the year, according to the Customs returns issued recently, was 3,881, and their total tonnage 11,294,988. The port of Colombo dealt with almost the whole of the colony's shipping, 2,963 vessels with an aggregate tonnage of 10,858,825 tons having entered Colombo harbour during the year. Of these vessels 2,207 were steamers, while 287 were sailing vessels, and in addition 459 steamers called for coal or oil.

The Social Department of the Kobe Municipality has in mind six undertakings, mainly for social purposes, which it hopes to realise at a cost of ¥4,000,000. The undertakings include: more arrangements for nursing homes, dispensaries, Municipal pawnshops, employment offices, cheap lodging houses, slum improvements, etc. Full details will be announced shortly. Apart from this the Department has decided to reclaim the Ono pond in western Kobe, so as to use the land for Municipal residential quarters. Some sixty houses will be built, which can be required by payment of monthly instalments.

Andres Cantos, a watchman of the Philippine Normal School was robbed of ₱40 the other night. He told the police that as he was praying in the school, two men attacked him.

A Nagoya millionaire has offered a bonus of a million yen to anybody who succeeds in inventing an aerial storage battery capable of generating several hundred volts, but occupying only one-hundredth as much space as the batteries now in use.

Convinced of the inadequacy of present sources of city income, Councilors Manuel de la Fuente has recommended to the majority councilors enactment of an ordinance taxing dancing pavilions in Manila hotels and restaurants. Mr. de la Fuente asserted that dance halls are practically operating in the Manila Hotel Goulette's, Tom Dixie Kitchen and other big restaurants without paying taxes to the city. Hotels and restaurants giving free dance to patrons are making so much money that they are well able to pay more taxes, he said. The councilor explained extensive police and fire protection extended to reputable hotels and restaurants, another justification for assessing them.

Lighthouses in Philippine waters will be increased to 203 this year with establishment of three lighthouses with dwellings instead of four as proposed, and four minor ones, the lighthouses board of the bureau of commerce and industry reports to Director Fidel A. Reyes. A number of new buoys and beacons also are planned. The carrying out of these projects is made possible with the special allotment of ₱225,000 for lighthouses, in addition to ₱125,000 for regular maintenance. The new lighthouses will be located on one of the Hermanas Islands (formerly known as Tres Reyes Island); Sailing Island; and Tubbataha Reef, with minor ones upon which will be fixed red lights at Bantayan, Cebu; Castilla, Sorogon, Baclovan, Bohol; and Eranan, Samar.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Another "Ladies' Night" is to be held at the Kowloon Y.M.C.A. on Thursday next.

Major-General Sir J. S. Fowler, formerly G.O.C. at Hongkong, spoke at the United Service Institution, Whitehall, S.W., on "The Chinese Armies of the Present Day" on January 13.

Mr. A. N. Owens has been appointed acting Consul-General for Great Britain at Kobe, Mr. W. Massey Roys, the Consul-General, having left on the P. & O. s.s. "Malwa" on January 28 on nine months' furlough.

The "S.S. Government Gazette" contains the following notifications:—Mr. R. E. Willgress to be an Assistant Government Analyst, Singapore; Mr. J. S. W. Arthur to officiate as D. P. P. Penang; Mr. E. A. Winnington-Ingram to be a Cadet M.C.S.

A note in the current issue of the Gramophone states that the Prince of Wales's record on "Sportsmanship" issued in September, 1924, has been so successful that profits amounting to £1,545 up to June, 1925, have been handed to the British Legion.

Sir James Crichton-Browne, the eminent alienist, is now recovering from an attack of appendicitis. Recently he published in the "Glasgow Herald" an interesting series of articles designed to show that Burns died not of drink, but of rheumatism with complications. These are to be published in book form in due course.

Sir Charles Elliot, British Ambassador, left Tokyo at 10.50 a.m. on February 1. Baron Shidehara, Foreign Minister, Dr. Ikki of the Imperial Household Department, other Court dignitaries, Ambassadors and Ministers, officials from the government departments, and numerous other personages were on the platform as the train pulled out. Sir Charles stopped over at Shizuoka and later continued his journey to Kioto and Kobe.

The British Association of Japan, Kobe Branch, entertained the distinguished visitor at dinner at the Kobe Club. During the period which will elapse before Sir John Tilley's arrival, Mr. C. F. J. Dormer, Counsellor to the Embassy, who arrived in Tokyo late in January, will have charge of affairs. The new Ambassador is expected about the middle of this month.

Mr. H. J. P. Bentinck, who was with the Chartered Bank, Ipoh, before going on leave, is now stationed at Rangoon.

Captain Day, M.C., has been allowed to resign his commission in the Straits Settlements Volunteer Force.

Mr. J. R. H. Scovell, the well known lawn tennis player, has returned to Kuala Lumpur from Home.

A KOWLOON BRIDE



Photo by Ying Ming, 80 Queen's Road Central.

Mr. J. R. G. Wyatt, who was married on Tuesday, at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, to Miss Isabella A. Blair, of the Central British School.

When Sir Charles Elliot was Vice-Chancellor of the University of Hongkong, it was said he spoke 22 languages. Sir Edward Denison Ross, Professor of Persian at London University goes two better. He is said to speak 24 languages!

The Duchess of York, at the best of times, is never very robust in health, and at the moment, says a home paper, kindly friends eyes are upon her. Games and dancing are more or less forbidden, and she will live a very quiet life for the next few months. Although she has that happy gift of being able to enjoy life to the full, she will not mind these temporary curtailments, for they are made for the happiest of reasons.

Dean Inge says that it is quite unnecessary to go to Australia or Central Africa to find the savage; he is our next-door neighbour.

Mr. Cox Sproule, a younger brother of the Hon. Mr. Justice Sproule, Senior Puisne Judge, Penang, is now practising as a proctor in Kandy, Ceylon.

The refusal of the Rev. W. Pennington Bickford, of St. Clement Dunes, Strand, to marry a Catholic bridegroom to a Protestant bride was followed by a blessing in the church after the civil ceremony had taken place at a register office.

Mr. Wae Thiam Hock of F.M.S. has been successful in obtaining the diplomas of L.R.C.P., L.R.C.S. (Edin.) and L.M. (Dublin), and is at present carrying out further studies in the diseases of children and the skin at Ormond St. Hospital, London.

The late William Jennings Bryan, whose last public appearance was at the Scopes Trial at Dayton, Tennessee, had before his death begun his autobiography. This has now been completed by his widow, and an interesting volume will appear in the spring.

Mr. Tan Pow-tek, the Vice-President of the Kiang branch of the Selangor Anti-Opium Society, has died after a few days' illness at his residence in Sultan-st., Klang. In his life time he rendered great services in connection with charitable works, and notably the opium smokers, and his death is a great loss to the community.

Baron Hayaashi, explaining why young Princes come to England to learn, says England is "the best country in the world to provide future rulers with experience and knowledge," because "there is quiet, peace, commonsense and what is very rare in the world today—a reason to feel certain of the future."

Prince Chichibu and Marquis Hosokawa are going to scale the Alps together. Prince Chichibu, who is now in England, will meet Marquis Hosokawa in Switzerland. Accompanying the party will be Mr. Mark, whose exploits in the Canadian Rockies last year brought his name further into the mountaineering limelight. Viscount Moritaka Nagatsuka, Baron Tomoyuki Matsui, and Baroness Matsui will also be of the group.

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INTERPORT GOLF.

MANILA WELL BEATEN BY HONGKONG.

LOCAL PLAYERS IN FORM.

The first match of the Interport golf competition was completed at Fanling on Sunday, with results which were entirely favourable to the local team. The scores on the first day were 4 matches to 2 in favour of Hongkong and in the four-ball games on Sunday, the laurels were again plucked by the Hongkong team with an equivalent number of points, thus putting Hongkong on top by eight points to four.

In the four-ball games played yesterday, the teams were paired off as follows: A. H. Ferguson (captain) and L. W. Shewan (Hongkong) v. L. A. L. Benedict and B. F. Few; R. M. Smith and W. Douglas v. G. M. Ivory and E. J. Nell; H. U. Ireland and L. E. Andrews v. J. R. H. Mason (captain) and Com. H. C. Train. The winning points were two per match, with the best ball counting.

Ferguson's Game.

Few and Benedict drove off. Ferguson took the hole in four. Shewan took the second for Hongkong with an eight foot putt for three. The third hole was halved, in three, Benedict showing good form on the green.

Benedict halved the fourth in four, after Ferguson appeared to have taken it with a long putt. Hongkong was still two up at the fifth, when both Shewan and Ferguson missed by a hair-breadth and Benedict took it in four, to reduce Hongkong's lead to one. The sixth was halved by Ferguson and Few in four, and the seventh by Ferguson and Benedict in three. Benedict's approach at the eighth came within inches of the pin and he took the hole for three, after Shewan came an inch short, thus making the score all square.

The ninth was halved in five, Ferguson and Benedict taking the honours. At the tenth Ferguson had a chance of taking the lead but over-ran to square the hole for four. Few brought off a miraculous putt from the edge of the green at the eleventh and Shewan squared for three, after having driven into the rough. Hongkong went ahead at the twelfth when Shewan brought off a spectacular two.

From this point Hongkong maintained the lead. After Few missed a yard putt at the thirteenth, Ferguson squared in five. Shewan took the fourteenth in three and halved with Few at the fifteenth for five. Ferguson halved with a splendid three at the sixteenth and following a failure of Manila on the green, Ferguson took the seventeenth with a five. Few and Ferguson halved the eighteenth, to finish the forenoon's play, with Hongkong three up.

Meanwhile the other games were fluctuating. When the cards were returned at the tiffin interval, it was found that Smith and Douglas were two up on Ivory and Nell, while Ireland and Andrews for Hongkong were two down against Mason and Train.

On the resumption, Manila showed better form in the Ferguson and Shewan v. Benedict and Few match, and after squaring the first hole for four (through Ferguson and Few), took the second through Few for three. All reached the green with their drives at the third and the hole was halved in three by Ferguson and Benedict. The same pair halved the fourth in four and the fifth with an identical score. They shared the honours at the sixth with five each.

Shewan's approach at the seventh was short by an inch and after Few missed, he took the hole in three, putting Hongkong three up. At the eighth, both Ferguson and Few missed narrowly with their third and halved in four. At the ninth, all reached the green with their third and with two putts each, Ferguson sank for five, while the Manila men missed.

At The Turn. With Hongkong four up, the visitors were both bad on the green at the tenth, allowing Ferguson to take the hole in four after missing closely with his third. At this point Hongkong was five up and the game proved to be even more exciting, when Manila took the eleventh through Few who holed out in four. Ferguson and Benedict halved the twelfth in three and Shewan took

WORLD RECORDS.

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ATHLETIC BEANFEAST.

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, Feb. 14.

Four world's indoor records were shattered, one new record was created and two were equalled twice in a series of thrilling performances at the Wilco athletic meeting.

The Norwegian, Hoff, after falling on his face at the first attempt, cleared the bar in the pole jump at 13 feet, 3 inches.

Morgan Taylor covered the 80 yards hurdles race in 98/10 seconds.

Heifrich won the 500 metres in 65 seconds.

Plant completed the 3,000 metres flat walk in 12 minutes, 40 seconds. Cummings sprinted 130 yards in 13.1/10 seconds.

HOME HOCKEY.

SCOTLAND DEFEATS WALES.

(Reuter's Service.)

Ruthin, Feb. 13.

At international hockey, Scotland defeated Wales by 2 goals to nil.

LADIES' GOLF FINAL.

The final of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club ladies' championship was played off at Fanling yesterday.

Mrs. Rowland defeated Mrs. Fitzroy Williams, by two up and one to play.

The thirteenth in four after Few over-ran. With Hongkong five up and five to play at the fourteenth tee, the game was as good as won, observing the poverty of the Manila men on the green. Shewan reached the green within a few feet of the pin, with an iron shot from the tee. His was not the honour, however. Ferguson, Few and Benedict had all driven into the rough, beyond, right and left, respectively. It was then that Ferguson brought off 'the shot of the day' and chipped to the pin, holing out in two, and taking the game by six up and four to play.

Other Matches. The other games finished with Smith and Douglas maintaining their lead throughout. At the turn, during the afternoon's play, the Hongkong men were seven up. The game finished at the fourteenth with the score standing the same as in the preceding match—six up and four to play.

Ireland and Andrews were hopelessly outclassed. Mason and Train had them held through the whole game and, leading at the tiffin interval by three up, the Manila men remained ahead to the thirteenth hole in the afternoon, when the game concluded with the visitors six up and five to play.

The Score. Ferguson and Shewan 2, Benedict and Few 0, Smith and Douglas 2, Ivory and Nell 0, Ireland and Andrews 0, Mason and Train 2. Total, fourballs, Hongkong 4; Manila 2. (Add singles, Hongkong 4, Manila 2); total, Hongkong 8; Manila 4.

[The report on Saturday's play will be found elsewhere in this issue.]

Brief Comment. Benedict opened poorly but his play improved later, especially his putting, which reached its best during the latter stages of the forenoon's play.

Shewan's driving was erratic throughout, but his recovery was always good, his iron play being extremely creditable.

Few was marvellous on the green during the forenoon, but fell away after tiffin. Ferguson was the outstanding man of the game. He was consistent throughout and his drives never deviated from the fairway. On more than one occasion he saved the hole by well-judged putting and it might well be said that he carried the side to victory. He went out during the forenoon in 86 and was home 87.

Singles. The games to-day will be singles between Shanghai and Hongkong and fourball games will be played to-morrow between the same teams.

IRELAND WINS.

INTERNATIONAL SOCCER VICTORY.

WALES DOWN AT BELFAST.

(Reuter's Service.)

Belfast, Feb. 13.

At Soccer, before 30,000 spectators, in ideal conditions, Ireland beat Wales by 3 goals to nil.

The Irishmen were more thrifty, better opportunists, played better together, and were superb in defence while Wales had a poor defence and missed chances.

Gillespie (inside-left) netted Ireland's first goal, after nine minutes. Curran (centre-forward) scored the second after twenty-eight minutes.

At the interval Ireland led 2-0. The Welshmen then improved but were repulsed by the Irish defence.

Ten minutes before time, Curran scored Ireland's third goal.

TERRIFIC PACE.

IRELAND BEATS ENGLAND AT RUGGER.

DING-DONG MATCH.

(Reuter's Service.)

Dublin, Feb. 13.

At rugby, Ireland beat England by 19 points to 15.

The match was played in dull weather before 25,000 spectators. The ground was good.

The teams were lined up and introduced to the Governor-General, Mr. T. Healy.

Ireland had rather the better of the play in the opening stages. The English forwards were not heeling too well, but after eighteen minutes England took the lead; Francis darting through the Irish defence and passing to Young who scored under the bar; Francis converted.

Soon afterwards Stephenson scored an unconverted try for Ireland.

Perkins scored a try for England (after Hamilton-Wickes and Voyce had made ground) near the Irish line; Francis converted.

Then Stephenson scored a grand penalty goal.

Ireland pressed until the interval when the score was England 2 goals (10 points); Ireland 1 try, 1 penalty goal (9 points).

On the resumption Ireland attacked, the forwards playing a very dashing game and kept play in the English 'twenty-five.'

After eighteen minutes Suggden got possession from the scrum and passed to Cussen who got over at the corner, Stephenson converting from the touchline, for Ireland.

There was a tremendous battle. Ten minutes from the finish Suggden sent Cussen over, Stephenson converting from 'near the touchline.'

Although a terrific pace had been maintained, neither side slowed up. Haslett scored for England and Francis converted.

Then just before time, F. Hewett scored a try which Stephenson failed to convert.

Ireland thus won by 2 goals, 2 tries, 1 penalty goal (19 points) to England's three goals (15 points).

HOCKEY CLUB ACTIVITIES.

The Hockey Club dinner, to take place at Volunteer Headquarters, has been postponed from February 18 to February 25, on account of clashing with the Interport golf. Members are reminded to send in their names as soon as possible.

The following will represent the Club against the H.K.S.R.A. at 6.15 p.m. sharp on Wednesday next at the U.S.R.C.: S. H. Garrod; C. H. R. Oxlade; C. L. R. Becher; L. P. Ralph; E. J. B. Mitchell (captain); E. W. L. Martin; H. Owen Hughes; W. Woodward; G. P. Lammer; J. E. Noronha; G. R. Vallack.

On Wednesday (February 24) at 6.15 p.m., the last Slim Shield match between the Army and the Club will be played at the U.S.R.C. After the match the Shield will be presented to the Navy, this year's winners.

UNIVERSITY CRICKET.

The following will be the teams in a University 'Fast v. Present' cricket match to-day. The match is to be played on the C.R.C. Ground at 2 p.m.

Fast: Ng Sze-kwong (Capt.), H. C. Hunt, W. M. Gittins, J. L. Youngs, T. L. Yeoh, Yung Hin-lun, A. Hoallin, D. K. Samy, A. T. M. Bama, C. Chao, W. Hall, and B. Q. Kunt.

Present: A. A. Bumjahn (Capt.), R. Ponsonby, Fane, H. N. Balhathat, S. O. Shahabudin, D. Ljung, C. W. Lam, E. Zimmern, E. Hochbaum, B. N. Sudan, T. W. Chong, H. Y. Leong, and B. P. Ng.

LOCAL SOCCER.

LOW SCORES IN JUNIOR "CUP-TIES."

KOWLOON DEFEATED.

With the best soccer players of the Colony on interport duty in Shanghai, only junior football matches were played on Saturday, their annual fixture with the three interesting United Services. Constant changes of bowling, however, kept the Club to 51 runs for 5 wickets when stumps were drawn.

In between the Navy had put up 164, Pay Lt. Hussey scoring 79. He was fifth out when the total stood at 111.

JUNIOR CHALLENGE SHIELD.

Second Round Replay.

University "A" 1 Drums 0

Surveys Res. 2 St. Joseph's 1

R.A. Res. 2 Kowloon Res. 0

Hongkong League—Div. II "B."

Moslem "A" 5 Drums Res. 1

Spectators Interfere.

Although play was generally against them, the University "A" team won by a goal scored by Guterres, late in the game.

Just before half-time the game had to be stopped owing to Chinese rushing on to the ground. The Drummers missed every one of a series of excellent chances to score.

University: — Braga; Khoo, Scully; Loh, Chong, Lee; Barnes, Leong, Jap, Guterres, Lim; Drums: — Crockett; Hutchings, Leaver; Newman, Bowles, Aylward; Burridge, Freestone, Parker, Muffett, Robertson.

Belated Spurt.

Making a belated spurt against the 1st East Surrey Regiment Reserves, St. Joseph's College passed out of the competition by 2 goals to 1 at Sookmumpoo.

Cheeseman and Robinson gave the infantrymen their goals in the first half and Mackenzie reduced the deficit shortly after the re-start. The Collegians continued to try but were kept out by Pau stopped a hot one from the penalty spot.

Surrey's Res.: — Anderson; Harris, Squires; Garland, Phillips, Lemar; Merry, Robinson, Stairs, Cheeseman, Peskett.

St. Joseph's: — Pau; J. Ward, Hyder; J. Leonard; T. Leonard, Mackenzie; Cruz; A. Ward, Omar, Blanco, Kent.

Gunner's Superiority. In the first half the Royal Artillery Reserves penned the Kowloon F.C. Reserves in but only Holland's point, early on, gave them the lead.

After the breather Rowlands put on the second by an excellent finish to a solo effort.

R.A.: — Sneath; Blanchard, Ginty; Sargent, West, Haynes; Holland, Nswam, Maddocks, Williams, Rowlands.

Kowloon: — Vickers; Brown, Knight, Street, Pasco, Ollier, Morris, Vickers, Millard, Spary, Miles.

League Game. G. Mohammed and Minu netted for the Moslem Club "A" in the first half of the league match with the Drums' Reserves. Then Baker got the soldiers' only goal, while G. and D. Mohammed and Hoosen brought the Moslems' total to five.

China Light: — J. Q. Barrow; F. Hamblin, A. Smith; A. C. Tinson; F. C. Cleme, W. J. Brown, Taylor, Lickley, Pym, A. B. Cleme, C. H. Miles.

HONG SOCCER.

On the Kowloon F.C. ground on Friday, the China Light and Power Co. defeated the Hongkong Electric Co. by 2 goals to 1.

Squire scored for Hongkong early on; Lickley and Miles got through for the winners at the end.

Hongkong Electric: — W. B. Musket; G. Vickers; C. E. Easterbrook; J. Western; J. C. Thompson; C. May; L. de Rome, A. F. Paul, T. O. Foster, J. C. Saunders, S. J. Squire.

China Light: — J. Q. Barrow; F. Hamblin, A. Smith; A. C. Tinson; F. C. Cleme, W. J. Brown, Taylor, Lickley, Pym, A. B. Cleme, C. H. Miles.

"FRIENDLY" SOCCER.

A friendly football match on the Club ground on Saturday resulted in the H.K.F.C. defeating the Police by 3 goals to 1.

Brodie, McBride and Forsyth scored for the winners and Noonan replied before the close.

The teams were: Police: — A. Clark; Dormer, Harle; Forbes, Hudson, Jessop; McBride, Gram, Johnson, Noonan, Simpson.

Club: — Garrod; Gerrard, Bishop; Summers, Lyon, Watson; Forsyth, Brodie, McBride, Morrison.

LOCAL CRICKET.

CLUB v. UNITED SERVICES MATCH.

SATURDAY'S GAMES.

Thanks to the "tail wagging" the H.K.C.C. were 51 runs ahead in the first innings, on Saturday, in their annual fixture with the United Services. Constant changes of bowling, however, kept the Club to 51 runs for 5 wickets when stumps were drawn.

In between the Navy had put up 164, Pay Lt. Hussey scoring 79. He was fifth out when the total stood at 111.

In the Club's first venture, Sayer left with the total at 6, Hayward batted steadily while Owen Hughes saw the total to 68 for 2 wickets. For the 6th wicket Stewart and Sheldon added 37. The 9th wicket produced 54 runs (total 199).

Shrip opened the Service innings with Hussey, 78 being signalled before the soldier left. Wickets fell fairly regularly after this, the century being hoisted with the loss of 4 wickets.

Lyal was out (1 for 1) in the Club's second innings and then the departures were: Hayward (11), Sheldon (14), Stewart (45) and Owen Hughes (47).

Play continues to-day. H.K.C.C.—1st Innings.

A. W. Hayward, c Hussey, b 19

G. R. Sayer, l.b.w., b Mercer, 19

H. Owen Hughes, b Mercer, 44

T. B. Pearce, b Halsey, 7

E. F. Stewart, b Cantrell, 23

R. Hancock, c Hussey, b 0

Halsey, 0

H. A. Sheldon, b Cantrell, 12

H. V. Parker, b Halsey, 15

C. C. Lyal, run out, 35

A. C. I. Bowker, c Mercer, b 24

E. B. Reed, not out, 1

Extras 23

Total 215

Bowling Analysis.

C. M. R. W.

Cantrell 22 3 65 2

Mercer 6 1 23 1

Lalcy 21 3 65 5

Stephenson 3 0 11 1

Morris 2 0 15 0

Robertson 2 0 8 0

United Services—1st Innings.

Pay-Lt. Hussey, b Sayer, 79

C. Q. M. S. Stripp, b Parker, 15

Capt. Bridgland, b Parker, 0

Mid. Stephenson, b Parker, 4

Capt. Mercer, b Parker, 0

Capt. Morris, c Owen Hughes, 11

Parker, 32

Lt. Robertson, b Lyal, 2

Capt. Walters, b Bowker, 10

Lt. Nicholson, c Pearce, 6

Lyal, 2

Lt.-Col. Cantrell, not out, 4

Extras 5

Total 164

Bowling Analysis.

C. M. R. W.

Bowker 10 4 45 2

Reed 9 4 23 0

Parker 10 0 52 5

Sayer 6 0 33 1

Lyal 5 2 6 2

H.K.C.C.—2nd Innings.

A. W. Hayward, b Cantrell, 4

J. C. Lyal, run out, 0

H. A. Sheldon, run out, 3

E. F. Stewart, c Mercer, b 8

Halsey, 14

G. R. Sayer, not out, 19

H. Owen Hughes, b Halsey, 2

H. V. Parker, not out, 2

Extras 9

Total (for 5 wks.) 51

Bowling Analysis.

C. M. R. W.

Cantrell 7 3 14 1

Stephenson 4 1 12 0

Halsey 5 0 13 2

Mercer 2 0 8 0

Bridgland 1 0 8 0

League Match.

Division II.

UNIVERSITY V. NAVY.

The Royal Navy 2nd XI defeated the University 2nd XI at Pokfulam by four wickets. They tied with the University score (69) at the fall of their sixth wicket, the next produced an additional 12 runs, and the last wicket fell at 146.

University 2nd XI.

E. Zimmern, b Emley, 0

W. M. Gittins, c. & b. Bennett, 6

S. V. Gittins, b Bennett, 1

A. J. Hazelland, run out, 6

B. N. Sudan, b Bennett, 13

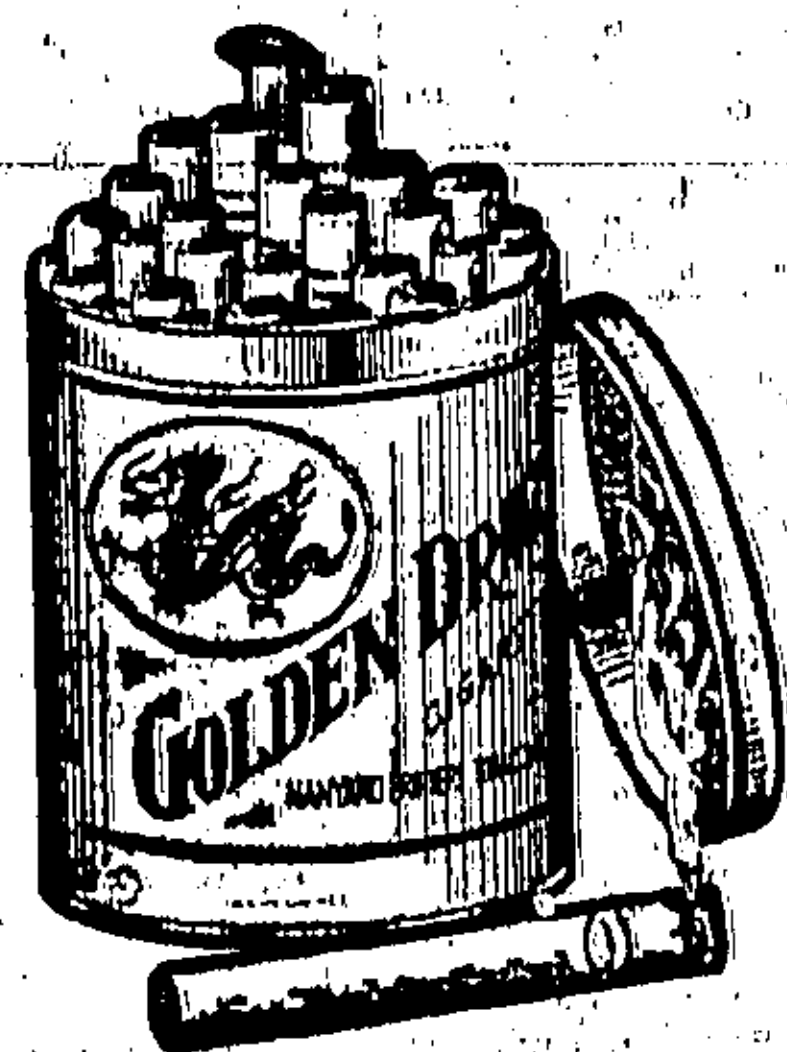
C. H. Yeoh, l.b.w., b Bennett, 10

R. Ponsonby, Fane, b Bennett, 1

A. T. M. Bama, c Studholm, 4

T. J. Taine, c Studholm, b Emley, 3

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People and Events in the News of the World



To the flappers of the Bolivian jungles, Mrs. Oscar de Nina Mayer, former Cornell medical student, brought the boyish bob. When the natives saw her, on an engineering trip with her husband, they insisted that she trim their hair according to her style. When she snipped the tresses of a few, the style was followed by most of the women of the wilds.



William Leeds, husband of Princess

Xenia, left Europe just in time to pass on holiday gifts to his little son.



Little Mark, orphan, is the prize fought for by a prominent New York family and J. T. Piper, of Canton, O. Piper wants Mark because he looks just like his boy who passed away. The New York couple want the boy just because he is Mark. Mrs. Charles Dana Gibson, president of the Child Adoption League, believes Mark will go to the New York family, which has first option on him.



DR. NICHOLAS MURRAY BUTLER



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DWIGHT DAVIS

Prohibition has been the most colossal failure in the history of the United States, says Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University, who sees reform near for the dry law. Ogden E. Hammond, prominent in New Jersey politics, is the new Ambassador to Spain. A split among the Soviet chiefs is indicated at Moscow by the victory of Gregory Zinoviev in forcing the Communist Congress to publish a minority report attacking the report of Secretary Stalin of the central committee. Secretary Davis intends to read the Riot Act to Army officers in an effort to get united team play in the service.



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ANNA Q. NILSSON

Barbara La Marr, slowly regained

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Anna Q. Nilsson was brushed from

the back of a runaway horse by a

branch of a tree near Los Angeles.



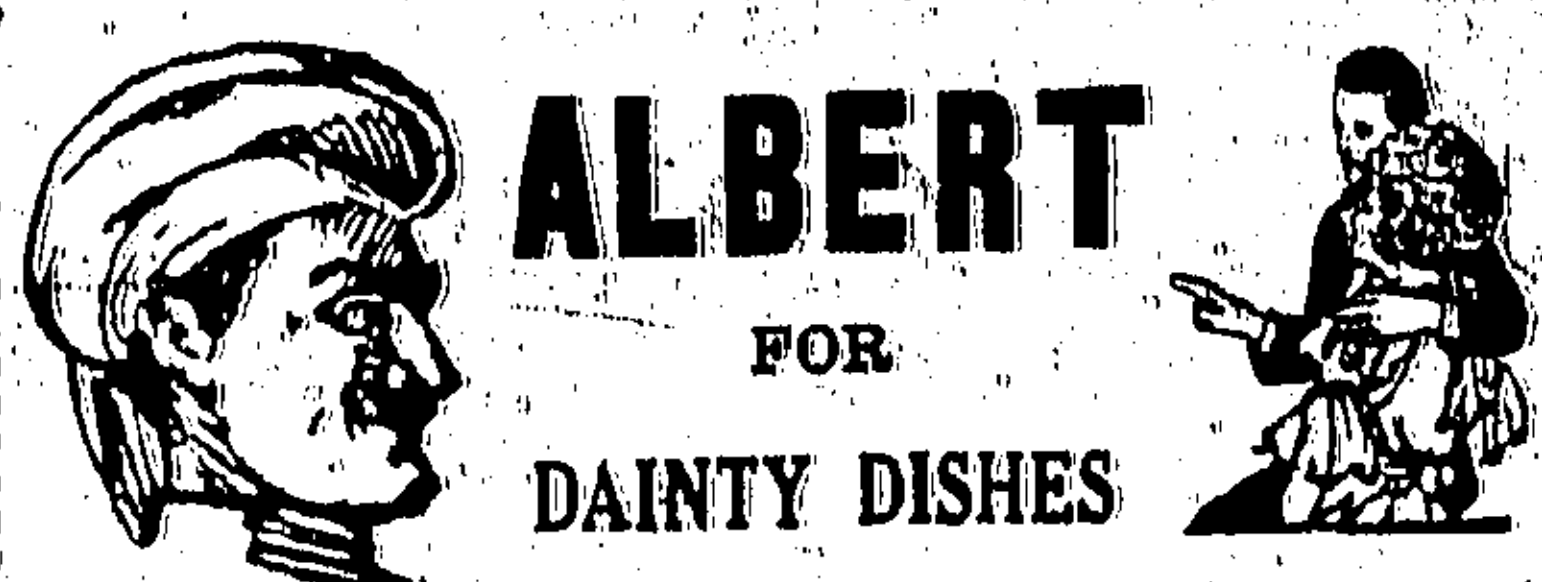
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THE NEXT STEP.

(Reuter's Service.)

Geneva, Feb. 12.
The League Council has fixed March 8 as the date of the extraordinary meeting of the Assembly to deliver an opinion on Germany's application for membership.

Sent for Poland?

(Havas Agency.)

Paris, Feb. 12.
The papers, foreseeing that Germany will endeavour to raise discussions at Geneva with reference to the peace treaties, especially those relating to the Eastern Frontiers, insist on the necessity of giving Poland a permanent seat on the Council of the League of Nations as a counter-acting measure for affording a equilibrium.

Plan Which Failed.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Feb. 13.
The "Daily Telegraph" Berlin correspondent has stated that the plan to give permanent seats on the Council of the League to minor States has been dropped. If it had been persisted in Germany would undoubtedly have withdrawn her application for membership. Unbusiness here has now been allayed by official news from Paris.

Germany's Entry Into League.
(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Feb. 12.
The Foreign Secretary's answer in Parliament yesterday to Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's question relative to the future composition of the League of Nations Council, has been followed by general discussion in the newspapers.

Sir Austen Chamberlain stated that until any claims to permanent seats on the League, other than that which it is hoped to allot to Germany, have been formally preferred and fully considered, it is impossible to decide on a course best serving the interests of the Council and of the League generally. He emphasised that the matter was one upon which the feeling of the Council and Assembly was one of primary consideration and that common consultation and agreement would be impossible if representatives of those bodies were bound in advance by rigid instructions.

In their comments on this issue a most friendly tone is adopted by the newspapers towards nations who in addition to Germany are believed to have ambitions in this direction, but hope is generally expressed that such claims will not be pressed.

The "Daily News" takes the view that "it would make the mere mechanical working of the League extraordinarily difficult in future by exaggerating the size and importance of the Council and correspondingly depreciating the rightful importance of the Assembly."

Avoiding a Precedent.

Other newspapers urge that enlargement of the Council might decrease its efficiency and that the establishment of a precedent not contemplated at the time the League was formed would lead to multiplication of similar claims in future.

At the same time, the newspapers recognise that the entrance of Germany marks an important era, and that the basis of the League, which originated in the peace settlement, becomes broadened thereby and that the issues involved require unprejudiced consideration from all who regard as paramount the best interests of the League itself and the purpose it was designed to serve.

It is understood that the British Government will fully examine all sides of the question before suggesting to its representative at the March meetings of the League the broad lines to be followed if the matter should be raised there.

A BANDIT'S HEAD.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Chicago, Feb. 13.
The mystery of the disappearance of the head of Francisco Villa appears to have been cleared up by an admission allegedly made by some scientists here that the head was being brought to Chicago for examination. Experts' story is that an eccentric millionaire interested in criminology, financed the theft of the head in order that the brain and bumps of the late bandit might be examined and analysed from a pathological standpoint for the benefit of science.

A FINE LEAP.



Those who attend the Fanling steeplechase this afternoon will see China ponies jumping as shown above. In the snapshot is "Chariton Vale," ridden by a lady member of the Hunt, clearing a four feet fence while out for a run with the hounds.

STRIKE COST.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, Feb. 12.
The anthracite strike cost the miners over \$150,000,000 in wages and resulted in the curtailment of the hard coal output by over 35,000,000 tons.

The Secretary of Labour, Mr. J. J. Davis, confirmed, as "entirely correct," the Governor of Pennsylvania's announcement that the anthracite coal has been settled. The contract is for five years, wages to continue at the present level with provision for reopening negotiations within the industry whenever either side so desires.

Philadelphia, Feb. 12.
The leaders of both sides in the anthracite coal dispute predict a settlement as a result of the tentative agreement reached which will be referred to the District Convention of the Miners' Union at Scranton on February 16. If the decision is favourable, work will be resumed as speedily as possible under the old contract, subject to certain modifications which, under the contract operate until August 21, 1930. Either party may propose modifications of the wage scale after January 1, 1927.

"Five Years' Harmony." Later.
Wage scale modifications may only be proposed once yearly to the Board provided, which must within ninety days decide all issues connected with wage adjustment.

The demands of the owners and workers on the question of co-operation and efficiency shall be referred to a Board of Conciliation exclusive of an umpire who shall work out a reciprocal programme. Mr. John Lewis will act as president of the Board.

As soon as the agreement was made known, the Miners' Union made a statement expressing satisfaction at the terms and declaring that it was specially pleased that arbitration was avoided. One of the mine-owners also made a statement forecasting that five years of harmony in the anthracite industry which would result from the agreement.

WIRELESS GROWTH.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Feb. 12.
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